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WHEAT PRICES AT WINNIPEG RISE SHARPLY

FIRST READING OF BY-LAW TO GIVE VICTORIA NEW LOW TAX RATE WILL BE MONDAY

Debt and General Purposes Will Take Less This Year Than in 1925, But More Money Will Be Required for Upkeep of City Schools; How the City Dollar Will Be Split Up, Is Now Explained.

The tax rate on which Victoria citizens will pay this year will be brought formally into being when the annual rate by-law is given its initial reading by the Council. The measure will become law after final reading on April 26, or one day earlier than last year.

Victorians will rejoice in a lowered tax rate on a lowered assessment, paying on 100 per cent of the value of the land, and on fifty per cent of the value of improvements.

Individual tax bills will be from six to ten per cent less on land taxation, though here and there throughout the city a few properties will experience a raise as the result of higher assessments made in special instances last year.

On last year's assessment a mill brought approximately \$40,000, and will bring about \$39,100 on the lowered assessment of 1926. The mill rate has shrunk from 3.3 mills a acre to 2.6 mills this year, and the following table will show approximately how it is apportioned over the work to be accomplished:

Purpose.	Mills.	Mills. centage.	In 1925	In 1926	Per-
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Schools	10.05	11.583	29.69		
General	10.38	8.652	22.184		
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Ottawa, April 17.—"I made my statements Thursday," said Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Finance, to-day when he was asked to comment on the statements made yesterday by representatives of the automobile industry in Canada, following his budget speech of Thursday.

In announcing the reduction in the duties on automobiles, Mr. Robb stated in the House of Commons on Thursday there was a pronounced sentiment throughout Canada that the automobile industry enjoyed more protection than was needed to maintain it on a reasonable basis.

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Communal Life of Orient Best Safeguard Against Soviet Propaganda

Sanitation Measures in the Philippines is Making Sturdy Race

Bolshevism will never be a factor in China, where communal life has been practiced for ages, is the view of G. S. Garrett, a comptroller for the United States Shipping Board in the Orient, and now retiring to enter business for himself. As passenger on the President Madison Mr. Garrett told The Times this morning that he noticed a marked change in China, where, removed from the lanes of shipping, inland centres were displaying anti-foreign feeling with increasing bitterness; but Bolshevism is not the cause.

PROPAGANDA FAILS

Russian propaganda is failing flat in China, where the Chinese have been living a communal life for many generations and have little to learn from the new-found "Communism," but also by reason of the existence of the anti-foreign sentiment.

The death of Sun Yat Sen, he considers, arrested the progress of the Chinese Communists at a time when it was beginning to be a force in the land. That force was one making for the unification of political thought in China, in relation to her place in the world—and her treatment of foreign nations.

The old regime was one in which foreign industry and settlements were dominant, but recently this foreigning is still existent at the sea ports, but inland centres are turning more and more against foreign intervention in any walk of life, he says.

Mr. Garrett, who was a newspaperman in San Francisco before receiving his appointment to the staff of the United States Shipping Board as Orient comptroller, is returning to San Francisco where he plans to re-enter his former profession.

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GUARDS CHECKING RUM-RUNNING

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BARON BYNG

GOVERNOR LEAVES OTTAWA FOR WEST

Cabinet Members Wish Lord and Lady Byng Pleasant Farewell Tour

Ottawa, April 17.—Premier King and members of the Executive Cabinet went to the station here at noon today and saw the Governor-General and Lady Byng start on their farewell tour of Western Canada. The Cabinet took a recess while the ministers went to wish Lord and Lady Byng a pleasant trip.

WELCOME PREPARED

Port Arthur, Ont., April 17.—Port Arthur is preparing a reception for Baron and Lady Byng on their first stop Monday.

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Canada's Grain Stocks Reported

Ottawa, April 17.—The total quantity of wheat in Canada on March 31, 1926 was 161,375,000 bushels, as against 121,084,000 bushels on March 31, 1925. These figures are given in a crop report issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, based on returns from elevators, flour mills,

railway companies, and crop correspondents.

Of oats, the total quantity in Canada on March 31, 1925 was estimated at 222,377,000 bushels, as compared with 183,486,000 bushels in 1925.

The total quantity of barley in Canada on March 31 last was 43,976,000 bushels, as against 30,331,000 bushels in 1925.



"Burning the Candle At Both Ends"

THERE is an old saying about "burning the candle at both ends" which seems to apply to modern life.

How is a girl or boy, or man or woman to enjoy social life to the limit, keep up their daily work and escape a breakdown of health.

The nervous system will not stand the strain. There is too short a time for recuperation, too little rest and sleep. The energy consumed in daily activity is not replaced—bankruptcy is sure.

You find yourself nervous, irritable and sleepless. You are worried, have nervous

headaches and spells of drowsiness.

A restorative is necessary and Dr. Chase's Nerve Food exactly fills the bill. Most women and many men know this from personal experience and use it as occasion arises.

Prevention is by far the wiser plan with disorders of the nerves. By using this great restorative at the first indication of trouble you avoid a physical break down and weeks of tedious treatment.

Keep the vitality at high water mark and you will know the joys of healthful living.

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THE DUKE OF YORK ADDRESSES HOTEL MEN

London, April 17.—The Duke of York speaking at the farewelling banquet here last night to the visiting United States and European hotelmen who had attended the convention of the International Hotel Alliance, said:

"In these days of international unrest hotels have a very big part to play. Many problems facing the world to-day have arisen because the nations fail to know and understand each other. Surely the best way of removing such misunderstanding is for men and women to travel and thus learn for themselves something of the customs and ways of others. You can stimulate the spirit of travel and thus make the world happier. May all possible success attend you in your work. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to entertain you."

MILITARY TRAINING VOTE

Honolulu, April 17.—The council of the Honolulu International Church Federation voted yesterday on a resolution to condemn the whole of the federation, favoring a resolution opposing compulsory military training in schools and colleges, tied fourteen to fourteen. Under the rules of the council this is equivalent to a rejection of the report.

EMPIRE CONFERENCE

Sydney, Australia, April 17.—(Canadian Press Cable via Reuter's)—The New South Wales Government has decided that in Government contracts articles manufactured in the state shall be given a preference of thirty per cent. over foreign made goods and twenty per cent. over British made goods.

Vancouver Island News

DUNCAN HOSPITAL ESTABLISHED NEW RECORDS IN MARCH

Receipts, Expenditure and Turnover Bigger Than Ever, Showing Progress

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ENCOURAGING

MR. ROGER PINEO, WHO DISCUSSED Victoria's advantages and prospects as a shipping port with directors of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday, is regarded as one of the foremost authorities on port development on the Pacific Coast. His record at Astoria, which he was largely instrumental in transforming into a port of growing importance, lends special emphasis to his opinions on this subject, and makes doubly encouraging his favorable comment on Victoria. Of particular significance was his point that as long as this port was not handicapped by transportation charges greater than Mainland ports its geographical position did not present any obstacle of importance to its development. On the contrary, he showed how this port had many advantages which its neighbors did not possess, chiefly its proximity to the open sea, its freedom from vexatious port charges, and its admirable shipping facilities.

Astoria was not nearly so fortunately situated. The people of that county realized that they were more or less isolated as shipping centre, overshadowed, as it were, by the larger community of Portland, but they tackled their problem in a practical fashion and solved it. They were handicapped then, and they are still similarly handicapped, by a differential export rate of fifty cents a ton from which rival ports do not suffer. They bonded themselves to the extent of \$4,000,000 for immediate development works—undertaking likewise to extend that obligation up to \$10,000,000—and established a lumber assembly plant. They then built elevators. The result has been development under both heads and a substantial return in the way of dividends on local money invested.

While in Mr. Pineo's opinion there is everything in Victoria's favor, he reminded the directors of the Chamber of Commerce that the most satisfactory form of enterprise is that in which the people themselves are directly concerned and have a monetary interest. This proved to be the case in Astoria, and it has proved successful in many other places. He therefore asks why it should not be good business for the people of Victoria to invest in something which can not fail to return good dividends instead of leaving such a lucrative field for others to exploit.

BACK TO TWO CENTS

THERE IS ONE ITEM IN THE BUDGET that concerns more people in this country than any other. That is the reduction of the postage from three to two cents.

This return recalls the time when the Laurier Government established the two-cent rate and turned a Post Office Department deficit which had grown up under the three-cent rate into a surplus. The war, of course, was responsible for the increase which has now been done away with.

One cent appears to be a small item; but it can safely be said that the postal service of the country will repeat history and make money on the reduction.

MUSSOLINI'S HOLIDAY

MUSSOLINI HAS HAD HIS HOLIDAY in Tripoli. The newspaper correspondents have had a rare time. They witnessed the Fascist leader replace his "tense appearance" with quite a genial smile. They saw him kiss many Fascist worshippers on both cheeks. They relate how he drove his own car more than 150 miles and went so fast that the correspondent of the Associated Press came to grief in a sand dune trying to keep up with Benito. Then we have heard that the Duke complained about the quality of the plaster which was being used on a building, whose foundation stone he laid, that he mixed other plaster, and informed those near him that in his bricklaying days the man who made the first lot would have been fired without ado. But the last day of the Fascist pilgrimage to the ancient provinces must have thrilled Mussolini to the bone. Savage warriors from Italian Somaliland decked themselves in their most gorgeous fighting regalia, displayed the jazziest of belligerent fox trots, yelling all the time: "Death to the Enemy." Just what enemy they had in mind is not related; but the "supreme chief" no doubt threw his chest out in recognition of all this dusky loyalty. Incidentally, there seems to have been only one way of suppressing the Associated Press, that of burying the car of its representative in sand.

ROTARY'S NEW PRESIDENT

VICTORIA ROTARY CLUB HAS MADE no mistake in electing Mr. Edwin Tomlin to preside over its activities during the ensuing year. We congratulate him upon his elevation and the organization upon its choice. Mr. Tomlin is well known throughout the community and his practical interest in all progressive movements especially equips him for such an important position in a service body which has served the community to good purpose. Mr.

Tomlin follows another enterprising citizen who has presided over the Rotary Club for the last twelve months—Mr. R. W. Mayhew. His term of office was an encouraging one and he successfully maintained the excellent records set by preceding chief executives.

A GOOD SIGN

GERMANY AND RUSSIA ARE NEGOTIATING a new treaty of amity which centres largely on commercial intercourse. The London Times published this news yesterday and caused a stir in the great metropolis. But the British Foreign Office instantly published a statement which said that Berlin had kept it informed of every move which the German Government had made in the matter—proof the spirit of Locarno is still a force in Europe—and that there is nothing in the arrangement to which the western powers could object.

The important points in these negotiations are obvious. The treaty means that Russia, by means she considers will not resemble too much of a retreat from her extraordinary principles, is still knocking at the door of decent international society. It also means that if Germany and Russia improve their commercial relations, through the operation of this treaty or through other means, Germany, when a member of the League of Nations, should be able to persuade her eastern neighbor to drop her Bolshevik mask, look the rest of the world in the face, and likewise apply for membership.

THEN AND NOW

TO OPERATE THE GOING AND FLOURISHING concern known to the wide world as the Dominion of Canada the Government at Ottawa required the large sum of \$343,000,000 for the fiscal year ending with March 31 last. This is approximately three times the amount which was required when the Laurier Administration went out of office in 1911. Our net debt at the present time is approximately \$2,400,000,000; in 1911 it was less than \$340,000,000. Interest charges alone in 1926 are nearly \$15,000,000 more than the Laurier Government required to run the country in 1911.

These figures ought to be studied by every individual in Canada who sees no purpose in supporting the League of Nations and its works, the people who talk about the next war as if nothing on earth could prevent it. Our running expenses to-day are as much as they are because of the war. Income taxes are as high as they are because of the war. The figures to which we have referred, to say nothing of the wastage of human life, show what Canada is paying for her part in that conflict.

CANADIAN NEWSPRINT PRODUCTION

TO THE GLASGOW HERALD CANADA'S position in the newsprint production business is extremely interesting. In a recent issue this well-known Scotch journal devoted considerable space to the subject and pointed out to its readers that this country, by the end of the year, will be turning out as much as thirty-three per cent. of the world's total output as well as forty-five per cent. of the world's supply of raw material. It also calls attention to the fact that, whereas there are eighteen newsprint manufacturing machines now being built for this Dominion, the rest of the world's producers are installing only two—one in Great Britain and the other in Finland.

To this interesting information from Glasgow—facts, of course, well known to the trade in this country—may be added the statement contained in a dispatch from New York yesterday, which announces that the production of newsprint in Canada for the month of March was greater than the production in the United States for the same month. The American tonnage totaled 145,910 as against the Canadian tonnage of 154,093. In the previous month our mills turned out 135,633 tons as against a production of 139,622 tons across the line. Canadian mills will gradually increase their output, of course, as a result of the preferential treatment which newsprint now enjoys in the Antipodean markets.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

REMARKABLE GAINS

From The Edmonton Journal
The C.N.R.'s last weekly gross earnings showed an increase over the corresponding period in 1925 just short of \$1,600,000. The significance of the remarkable growth in its traffic and that of the C.P.R. should not be lost upon anyone who is at all interested in how things are at present going with Canada. Gains of the proportions that are being reported would not attract so much attention if they came during the movement of a crop which had proven much larger than that of the previous year. But coming now, they can only mean that general business is rapidly on the upgrade. If this last increase could be maintained throughout the year by the C.N.R., it would mean that the total earnings for 1926 would reach the figure which Sir Henry Thornton has said is sufficient to put the system on a paying basis.

WORDS OF WISE MEN

The chief glory of every people arises from its authors. —Samuel Johnson.

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There is probably no hell for authors in the next world—they suffer so much from critics and publishers in this.

There is nothing which has yet been contrived by man, by which so much happiness is produced as by a good tavern or inn. —Samuel Johnson.

Stones of small worth may lie unseen by day. But night itself does the rich gem betray. —Abraham Cowley.

Other People's Views

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and legibly written. The longer an article the shorter the chance of insertion. All correspondence and address of the writer, but not for publication unless the owner wishes. The publication of a letter is entirely at the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed by the paper for MSS. submitted to the Editor.

SECOND EPISTLE ON CITY MANAGER

To the Editor.—In a former letter regarding the adoption of the city manager system, I pointed out that Victoria's problem is one and only one, expressed in a word of four letters—debt. If the citizens will only realize the immense load they are carrying in this one item they will have but little use for the quack nostrums for taxation relief suggested by a change of civic government.

Brought down to date our gross debt amounts to \$17,041,383.22. It is made up as follows:

General Fund \$9,321,123.10
Highway Fund 4,032,000.00
Education loans 1,354,948.76
Local improvement 2,323,311.36

Deducting the accumulated sinking funds, the net debt is \$14,905,025.63, but it should be noted that the gross debt with its interest and sinking fund charges controls the city.

The proponents of the city manager system say that this system will reduce taxation. I offer them a little food for reflection, so that they need not indulge in hysterical appeals, nor rush into print with driveling inanities.

(Answer.) Copied from the same source as the Mayor's. Dayton Research Association says: "Under existing law Dayton cannot increase its revenues from taxation, since the law prohibits the payment of enough taxes to operate the city on its present modest basis. Citizens of Dayton should be prepared to make up the deficit (of \$146,000) by a special tax or assessment." Taxpayers in 1924 are actually paying for city services only 26.20 per cent more taxes on their property than they did in 1914 on the same property, though during these years the purchasing power has decreased 40 per cent. The population has increased 32 per cent and the aggregate value of property in the city has increased 100 per cent. The purchasing power of the tax dollar was reduced just as much as was the purchasing power of the private dollar.

A person owning a home assessed at \$79,500 pays to the city in 1924 \$45.75 to meet the cost of local government for 1924. Property owners must pay \$28.20 on every \$1,000 of property assessed, distributed as follows:

City of Dayton \$1,915	
Conservancy District 3,473	
Montgomery County 4,764	
Dayton School District 9,639	
Library 823	
State 30	
	\$28.20

Victoria rate in 1914 was 20 mills on land value only, \$89,151.990.

Victoria rate in 1924 was 39.40 mills on land 100 per cent and on improvements, 50 per cent.

Victoria rate in 1926 is 39 mills on land 100 per cent and on improvements 50 per cent.

His Worship is quoted as saying:

"There is a total reduction in taxes of 12.16 per cent, while general levy for 1926 shows a saving (shrinkage) of \$184,791 over the 1925 general levy, equal almost to a reduction of four mills."

He may have been misguided. The records show there has been no general reduction in assessed value of improvements, but apparently a general blanket reduction of about 12 per cent (long overdue) on the assessed value of land.

The reduction in the rate of 20 cents on \$1,000 of assessed value is very trifling, for on a lot assessed at \$1,000 and a house at \$4,000 it amounts to only \$1.60, or a total tax reduction of \$117, compared to Dayton's \$45.75, which speaks volumes for a city manager city.

Dayton, a prosperous city, 1920 census 152,559, now probably 170,000, under city manager system twelve years, and is fortunate in having a state law that will not permit its municipalities to run wild on either the assessed value or the rate of taxation. It is governed by five councilors, one of whom is mayor; their combined salary is \$6,500; the city manager's salary, \$8,400.

It must be noted that Dayton's rate embodies contributions to state and county which Victoria rate does not.

Further comment on other features of His Worship's address or further comparisons with Dayton are not necessary at this juncture.

JOHN DEAN.
P.O. Box 242, Victoria, B.C., April 15, 1926.

THE CITY MANAGER PLAN
To the Editor.—The value of any statement is in proportion to its accuracy. An assertion does not constitute a fact. His Worship says:

(a) "Victoria does not need a city manager at \$10,000 or \$100,000 per annum as much as Dayton, which requires each year good clean-cut business men at the head of its affairs."

(Answer.) It does not have to pay that, even if it did it would be money well spent if he earned it and saved us ten to twenty times as much.

Taking six of the eighteen Canadian municipalities under managers with a combined population of 92,463, ranging from 12,000 to 19,000, the average salary is \$5,765, ranging from \$4,000 to \$8,500.

Taking six of the 340 American municipalities under managers with a combined population of 225,241, ranging from 24,273 to 40,422 (fairly comparable to our own city), an average of \$7,766, the average salary is \$5,565, ranging from \$5,400 to \$8,000.

It is submitted that this covers or meets the faulty exaggeration on that score.

It is agreed that the city needs good men (I would substitute for clean-cut, capable and experienced).

The employment of a specialist in civic management is not a part in our petition. "One of tried and approved ability and reputation for success in that capacity" in some other city, makes it feasible to get men of that caliber to honor themselves and their home city by honorary service, relieved of all the petty details which the present system entails.

His Worship thinks the manager system admits it has the merit of being a good system, a good thing for American cities where politics mix up with civic affairs.

(Answer.) What a city manager has to do and does do, is to keep clear of politics (common to all councils), mixing in the ratepayers' business within the council itself, of which we have evidence in a recent appoint-

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ment by the present council of a ratepayers' rejection. The manager constitutes the court of appeal between the ratepayers and the council itself, not once a year but the whole year through, centralized authority and responsibility, the carrying of the legislative and policy forming body, and the administrative body, with his reputation for ability and cleverness, his only stock in trade, always at stake for an indefinite period, not merely a short term like a councillor.

(c) His Worship compares Victoria with Dayton, falling into the common frailty of comparing the best of one with the worst of the other. He says: "Last year in Dayton the amount appropriated for the various services exceeded by \$146,000 estimated amount to be received. Contrast this with Victoria's surplus of \$300,000. In 1914 (the year of outbreak of war), Dayton's portion of tax rate was \$2.75 on every thousand of assessed valuation. For 1924 the comparable rate was \$9.15."

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WOMEN'S AFFAIRS

CLUB NEWS

LOCAL WOMAN WAS FIRST CHILD OVER FRASER CANYON

Mrs. J. Apnaut of Victoria West Made Journey in Basket on Horse in 1861

When British Columbia opens its magnificent new highway along the Fraser River Canyon this year, the event will recall vivid memories to a little company of men who traveled the old Cariboo Wagon Road over the same ground in the great Cariboo gold rush of the sixties. But none of them can look back to adventures like those which filled the earliest years of Mrs. J. Apnaut of Victoria West, the first child to accompany the original army of gold-seekers to Barkerville. Before she was a year old Mrs. Apnaut was carried over the old trail in a basket atop the back of a pack pony, before the Royal Engineers had built their famous wagon road, and when only a narrow path still clung to the sides of the Fraser Canyon.

In the year 1861, when tales of Cariboo gold began to thrill the world, Mrs. Apnaut's father, a well-known Victoria businessman, decided to go to Barkerville and open a store there to cater to the large population which was swarming into the centre of the gold rush. He took his wife and their tiny baby with him. Over the perilous trail which lead from Fort Langley eastward they went. This was before Vancouver was dreamed of and when Victoria was a small settlement. Many weeks were spent in the journey along the Fraser River up through the Cariboo country to Quesnel and then westward through the mountains to Barkerville—how long. Mrs. Apnaut does not know. All this journey was made on horseback before wagons could travel to the gold fields, and the little baby girl was carried all the way in her basket behind her mother, who rode.

After a few years in Barkerville the family moved to the coast again and this time they came north by wagon for in the interval the Royal Engineers had built the Cariboo Wagon Road, one of the most remarkable engineering achievements that America had seen up to that time. In curious contrast to Mrs. Apnaut's travels, luxurious automobiles from all over Canada and the United States will speed along the Fraser Canyon this year by the new road which has been built on the foundations of the old.

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\$5,000 LEGACY FOR JUBILEE HOSPITAL

Directors Apprised of Bequest From Late T. Arnot Ker; Other Gifts

A welcome surprise was sprung upon the board of directors of the Jubilee Hospital at their meeting last evening with the announcement of a legacy of \$5,000 under the will of the late T. Arnot Ker. The gift was all the more appreciated in that Mr. Arnot Ker thus showed the retention of his interest in local institutions, although it was some years since he had lived here. Two other welcome gifts were recorded, one of \$300 from a young lady who wished to remain anonymous, the other of \$30, the second instalment from the J. M. Read estate.

George McGregor, the chairman, presided at the meeting. Plans were made for the annual graduation exercises which this year will be held at the First United Church on May 28, and afterwards at the Empress Hotel. The church was chosen for the reason that because it is the hotel was not large enough to accommodate the big crowd of relatives and friends of the graduating nurses, and second, because the atmosphere of the church is more in keeping with the solemnity of the occasion.

The baccalaureate services for the nurses will be held on May 23 at Christ Church Cathedral.

Hospital statistics for the month just ended were as follows: Patients admitted 1,000, deaths 281, birth 21, discharged 2,632, death 22, hospital days, 5,578. The average number of patients per day was 179. The number of pieces handled in the laundry was 50,112.

On Wednesday, April 21, the Esquimalt Municipal Women's Association will give its first gingham dinner in the season in the Rex Theatre from 8:30 to 11:30. Thorne's three-piece orchestra has been engaged, and refreshments will be served. Cards will provide entertainment for those who do not dance.

Entertained Aged Men.—The young ladies' class of the First Baptist Church, under the leadership of Mrs. Oliver Brown, entertained the inmates of the Old Men's Home. Capt. Shrapnel and Mr. Landell of Calgary assisted in the programme. Delicious refreshments were served at the close.

Entertainments Aged Men.—Mrs. H. E. C. Pentreath of Vancouver, who has been spending some time in Victoria as guest at the Empress Hotel, left on Thursday afternoon at 4 p.m. for the Mainland.

Mrs. H. M. McGivern entertained Mrs. J. A. Vallance at her home on Friday evening. Guests included Mrs. H. Bullen, Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. W. F. Brougham of Victoria, Mrs. C. E. Thomas, Mrs. Glen Holland, Mrs. Prescott Oakes, and Miss Winnifred Bell of Vancouver.

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GIRLS' WORK BOARD REPORTS PROGRESS

Mrs. Bishop Provisional President; Annual Reports Show Excellent Work

The Victoria and District Girls' Work Board held its annual meeting on Wednesday evening at the Y.W.C.A. at 8 o'clock. There was a large representation and the president, Mrs. A. J. Daniels, occupied the chair. The reports from the various C.G.L.T. groups in the city were most interesting, and showed splendid constructive work. Since last year there has been an increase in the number of groups which now amount to thirty-two. Over 350 girls are enrolled.

The president's report expressed satisfaction in the result of the year's work. Good optimism for the future was felt, as well as appreciation by the board of the splendid work done by the group leaders.

Two new features of the work were reported on, first, the Girls' Council, with Mrs. Beall as sponsor, which has proved to be of great help in keeping in touch with the various groups, and secondly, the Leaders' Council, with Mrs. Geo. Guy as director, which meets once in two months. It is much appreciated by all the leaders who attend. As it gives ideas for them to carry back to their own groups and stimulates interest in the work.

The secretary reported two meetings of the full-board and two of the executive committee, and reviewed the events of the year, including the girls' camp at Beaver Lake, July 28 to August 6, followed by a camp round-up, a base meeting, in October and the leaders' and girls' conference in the Metropolitan Church on February 6 and 7.

The treasurer's report showed receipts for year, \$101.72; expenditure, \$82.48; balance on hand \$18.25. The bond selling so far totals \$233, but there are still groups to be heard from.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted in the following: president, Mrs. A. J. Daniels; president (provisional), Mrs. Bishop; first vice-president, Mrs. Freeman; second vice-president, Miss Helen Henderson; third vice-president, Miss Rigby; recording secretary, Miss Grace Adams; corresponding secretary, Miss Sarah McKiel; treasurer, Miss Margaret Stewart.

The probability of having a camp at Beaver Lake, but one week later than last year, through the courtesy of the Y.M.C.A.

Notes—These were passed to the board of the Y.M.C.A. and Mrs. Bishop, general secretary, for their generous and kindly interest; to the retiring officers, especially Mrs. Daniels and to the press.

A list of the guests: Mr. and Mrs. Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Brennan, Mr. and Mrs. McAulay, Mr. and Mrs. W. Renouf, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Renouf, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse, Miss Elsie Jessie, Mr. J. Tonner, Mrs. L. Fine, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Finmore, Mrs. Raymond, Mrs. Tonner, Mrs. Breeley, Mrs. Lord, Mrs. Raines, Miss Scott, Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin, Miss Pike, Mr. and Mrs. Scott, Mr. Wallace McIntosh, Miss A. Le Hures, Miss Fleury and Mr. Fleury, and Mr. and Mrs. Watson.

On Thursday evening a most enjoyable card party and dance was held by the Esquimalt sub-division of the Catholic Women's League in Stanley Hall, Victoria West. The ladies in charge of the refreshments were Madames Kiljor, Duncan, Hutchison, Craven and Burt.

Mr. R. D. Ker of Victoria is visiting Mrs. W. H. Ker, Pendrell Street, Vancouver, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin and Miss Marjorie Martin of Winnipeg, who have been spending the last few weeks in Victoria, as guests at the Empress Hotel, have left for Qualicum for a visit prior to returning to their home in Manitoba.

Miss Helen Adams of Winnipeg arrived in Victoria to join Mrs. Laid, who is a guest at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Payne, accompanied by their daughter, Miss Noreen Payne, are spending the week-end at Shawigan Lake.

Miss J. M. Hedley entertained last evening with several tables of bridge at her home on Craigdarroch Road in honor of Mrs. Laird of Winnipeg.

Mr. R. D. McD. Russell, K.C., of Vancouver, after a short visit in Victoria, returned last night to his home on the Mainland.

Mrs. Albert F. Griffiths entertained a few guests at the tea hour this afternoon at her home in the Christ Church Cathedral early in June.

Mr. R. P. King of Vancouver, after a short business trip to Victoria, left last night for his home on the Mainland.

Mrs. H. W. R. Moore of St. Paul Street is leaving shortly to join Captain Moore in Greenwood, where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Langworthy and Miss Langworthy of London, England, have arrived in Victoria on a visit to the former's mother, Mrs. I. W. Powell.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nairn of Rockland Avenue, accompanied by their guest, Miss Bell of Winnipeg, are spending the week-end at the Quailwood Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley who have been residing in Mr. Harold Robert's home on St. Charles Street, are leaving for Vancouver shortly, where they will make their future home.

Mrs. B. Scott of Vancouver, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ozard, Albany Road, is spending the week-end at Gordon Head as the guest of Miss Ozard.

Friends of Mr. W. Raines of 3603 Douglas Street, will be sorry to learn that he is a patient in the General Hospital, Vancouver, under the care of a specialist.

Mrs. W. M. Lawrence of Island Road, Oak Bay, who has been spending the last few months in Los Angeles, is expected home in Victoria on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ledington, Queen Street, announced the engagement of their daughter, Leslie Jessie, to Mr. Wilfrid Arthur Roy Hadley, son of the late Mr. T. Hadley, London, England, and Mrs. A. F. Beasley acted as hostesses.

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Directors' Report Shows
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With approximately \$6,000 to be raised before there are enough funds to cover the cost of Alexander Solarium for crippled children at Mill Bay, the directors have issued a financial statement to the public which shows their position clearly and at the same time expresses their optimism for the future. At the present time, this statement reads, after the site has been paid for, there is \$21,018.00 on hand, and each according to estimates for building the Solarium with accommodation for thirty-two children and a staff, lighting, heating and water supply costs included, \$25,579 will be needed. In addition to this \$3,500 will be required for furnishing. This brings the required total short of the desired figure by \$6,064.

The Kiwanis Club of Victoria has undertaken to lend its support in driving for the necessary Solarium funds. They will begin work next week. The co-operation and sympathy of Victoria business men is being enlisted and it is believed that the clubmen will have the support of the city in its undertaking.

Dr. Rollier, Lausanne, Switzerland, prepared and read a paper on the application of heliotherapy to children at the First International Congress on Child Welfare held at Geneva in August, 1925, which caused a sensation there.

This paper contains the most advanced views in the study of heliotherapy and is of great interest to those who are working along these lines.

For those interested in the Solarium the paper holds much of interest. Dr. P. Wace, who is one of the leading spirits in the Solarium movement here, is making a careful study of Dr. Rollier's findings and believes that they will be valuable in this work after the Solarium has been built and is in operation.

Catholic Women's League.—The Victoria sub-division of the Catholic Women's League will meet on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the library of the Bishop's house, and this will be the annual meeting and the election of officers all members are expected to attend, and new members will be welcomed.

Esquimalt Silver Tea.—The Esquimalt sub-division of the Catholic Women's League will hold a silver tea and sale of home-cooking and candy at the home of Mrs. Deasay 240 Robert Street, Esquimalt, on Tuesday afternoon April 21, in aid of parish funds. Much concerted effort has been put into the preparation for this afternoon's entertainment, and a large attendance is expected.

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KPO (428) San Francisco, Cal.

8 p.m.—Hotel Ambassador Concert orchestra.

KR (384) Seattle, Wash.

8-9 p.m.—Baldwin Piano Company programme.

KO (322) Denver, Colo.

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KJR (284) Seattle, Wash.

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 Evening Service—7 o'clock
 REV. J. C. GOODFELLOW will preach
 Anthem—"Sleepers Wake" Mendelssohn
 Solo—"Consider the Lilies" Scott
 Mrs. W. Wright

Metropolitan United Church

Cor. Pandora and Quadra
 REV. W. J. SIPPRELL, D.D. Pastor
 REV. A. K. MCMINN, B.A.
 Associate Pastor and Director of Religious Education
 G. A. Downard, Choralmaster E. Parsons, Organist
 10 a.m.—Class Meeting
 11 a.m.—"The Silence of the Saviour" Rev. A. K. McMinn
 Anthem—"Te Deum" Jackson
 Soprano Solo—"The Publican" Van De Water
 Mrs. Wesley Miller
 2:30 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Classes

2:30 p.m.—"Does God Get Angry?" Rev. A. K. McMinn

Anthem—"Hail to the Lord's Anointed" Andrews
 Baritone Solo—"When the Tide Comes In" Lorenz
 Mr. R. Morrison
 Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock Men's Brotherhood will meet in the Institute. Miss Mary Lloyd, "Some Aspects of Social Service"
 Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Mid-week Meeting for Prayer and Praise
 "Forsoak not the assembling of yourselves together"

Victoria West United Church

McPherson Avenue REV. W. M. SCOTT, Minister
 11 a.m.; sermon subject—"Who Will Take Up Your Office When You Go?"
 2:30 p.m.—Church School.

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 How Can We Tell Which is the True Religion?
 Centennial is a home-like church with a warm welcome to all.
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FAIRFIELD UNITED CHURCH

Pastor REV. R. W. LEE
 220 Quadra Street Organist and
 Phone 2550H Sunday Leader MAJOR H. WATTS

11 a.m.—"THE LAND OF THE COUNTERPANE"
 2:30 p.m.—Sabbath School
 7:30 p.m.

"In the Beauty of the Lilies"
 Solo—"Consider the Lilies" (Mauder) Mrs. R. Chave
 These Are Real Services for the People—"Where Religion Inspires!"

OAK BAY UNITED CHURCH

Mitchell and Granite Streets
 Rev. William Guy, B.A., B.D. Telephone No. 5875L
 Residence—1547 Hampshire Road. Sunday, April 18, 1926
 11 a.m.—Children's Story, "The Stout Little Engine"
 Sermon Topic—"The Kingdom of God Challenges High Calibre Men."
 2:30—Church Schools, at Granite and Hampshire Quarters.
 7:30—Evening Worship, "Spiritual Rejuvenescence"
 Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Midweek Hour. Great Doctrinal Conceptions from the Basis of Union. (I.) "God and Revelation."

VICTORIA HALL

1415 Blanshard Street
 Sunday, 4 p.m.
 "The Walk of Ordered Steps"

7 p.m.
 "How Can a Man Be Justified By God?"

MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, at 8 p.m.
 Speaker—Mr. A. L. RITTS

Of Kalamazoo, Mich.

CHURCH OF OUR LORD

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 Rev. A. B. Owen, Rector

Bishop Cridge Memorial Services

11 o'clock—Morning Prayer and Sermon
 Preacher—Rev. T. W. Gladstone
 Special Music

"Te Deum" and "Benedictus" Dykes
 Anthem—"What Are These?" Stainer

7:30—Evening Prayer and Sermon
 Preacher—Rev. A. B. Owen
 Special Music

"Magnificat" and "Nunc Dimittis" Turner
 Anthem—"Hail, Holy Queen" Stainer

Violin Solo—Mr. Justin Gilbert
 Quartette—"God Is a Spirit"

Mrs. Shandley, Mrs. Warn, Mr. Youson and Mr. Macdonald
 Nicene Creed B. Tours

Most of the music at these services is the composition of J. B. Dykes, who the late Lord Kelvin formed a trio which was the forerunner of the Cambridge University Musical Society at whose concerts they after wards frequently performed.

A Welcome to All—Pioneers and Newcomers

ROBERT MCKNIGHT
 Divine Healer and Humanitarian
 Will Lecture, Sunday, April 18, at 3 p.m., Orange Hall, Courtney Street
 Subject—"TRUE PRAYER AND HOW TO PRAY"
 Private Consultations—228 Pemberton Building, Tel. 1183.
 Evenings, Tel. 4199. Love Offering

RECTOR PREACHES ON "THE LORD'S DAY"

Service of Praise at St. John's in the Evening

"The Lord's Day" will be the theme of the services at St. John's Church on Sunday. At the 8 a.m. communion the Anglican Young Peoples' Association, the Beacon Girls' Club and the Corinthian Boys' Club will observe the occasion with the high standard of previous services. The choir will sing Maunders' "Consider the Lilies."

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Fairfield United Church Services

Both services at the Fairfield United Church will be conducted by the Rev. R. W. Lee on Sunday. At the morning service, Mr. Lee will preach on "The Land of the Counterpart." Some questions involving the discipline of the church, marriage, will be discussed and the "Ministry of Suffering" will also be expounded. At night the subject is to be "In the Beauty of the Lilies." The public generally are invited to be present at this service, which will be on a level with the high standard of previous services. The choir will sing Mrs. R. Chave, who will sing Maunders' "Consider the Lilies."

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PREPARE FOR CELEBRATION OF ANNIVERSARY

City Temple Will Observe
 Second Year Next Month

Mr. Clem Davies' message tomorrow will comprise "You Can Have It For a Song." The morning theme at the City Temple; "Forgiveness" being the afternoon radio talk over CFCT at 3 o'clock and "Are You a Dead One?" at the evening Temple service. The choir will sing at the service. The organ will be opened with a "Sanctus." One of Purcell's great anthems will be rendered before the service commencing at 7:15.

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NEW COMPANY TAKES OVER TIRE BUSINESS

Vancouver, April 17.—Sale of the assets, undertakings and business of the Gregory Tire and Rubber Company to a local syndicate was approved in the Supreme Court here to-day by Mr. Justice Morrison.

The syndicate, which proposes to incorporate a new company with a capital of \$400,000, includes the Gregory Tire and Rubber Company, R. E. Jamieson of Montreal, H. L. Cliffe, J. H. McDonald and E. A. Riddell of New Westminster and A. M. Dolby, Hugh Dalton and F. E. Burke of Vancouver.

Their offer, which has been accepted, included the payment of \$50,000 to the Canadian National Trust Company, the trustees for Gregory Tire and Rubber Company's bondholders, and the allotment of stock in the new company to unse-

Prohibition Inquiry

Washington, April 17.—Again turning to Canada for light on the Volstead question, the Senate prohibition committee was told to-day there was no truth in statements that beer had solved the wet and dry troubles of Ontario.

William E. Raney, former Attorney-General of Ontario, called by the dry leaders, testified that Ontario's experience with the legalized sale of "intoxicating" beer was successful.

The beer drinkers said the four per cent beer allowed under the law did not have enough kick to it," Mr. Raney said, "and the permits for the sale of this beer are useful to the holders as a disguise to sell something stronger."

Stream of Lava Destroys Buildings

Hilo, Island of Hawaii, April 17.—Terrifying, roaring explosions marking the sinister advance of two lava flows from Mauna Loa continued throughout last night while the molten rock made its progress toward the sea, leaving in its wake only a tiny strip of land. The church, a residence and a great forest of trees and vegetation beside obliterating a large section of the highway which is the only means of encircling the island.

The church crumpled from sight at 9:30 o'clock last night shortly after the dwelling had been buried under twenty feet of lava. Dr. C. S. McMillan, a volcanic observer, predicts one of the two flows from the volcano will reach the water's edge within thirty hours.

What appears to be another out-break near the summit of the volcano occurred at 10 o'clock last night following a severe earthquake which rocked the southern end for several minutes.

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SUTHERLAND STARTS TO PUT P.G.E. INTO FIRST-CLASS SHAPE

Replacement Programme Designed to Renew All Obsolete Trestles on Line

Will do Work Over Long Period of Years to Avoid Accumulation of Costs

A carefully-prepared programme designed to put the Pacific Great Eastern Railway into first-class physical shape over a period of years will get under way within the next month, Hon. W. H. Sutherland, Minister of Railways, announced to-day. Dr. Sutherland will call for tenders for the first unit of this programme shortly when he prepares for extensive alterations to the Government-owned line near Lillooet. There an old trestle will be removed, the earth cut out, a timbered side cut and carried forward with a large gravel fill. This work at a cost of something over \$200,000 will be permanent in character in place of the existing trestle, which has reached the replacement stage.

MUCH REPLACEMENT NEEDED

Many other P.G.E. trestles must be replaced during the next few years if the line is to be kept in a public place, is not the person of the same name whose signature appears from time to time in correspondence columns and "Poet's Corner" in several B.C. papers.

At the Women's Canadian Club meeting on Tuesday afternoon at 2:15 in the Empress Hotel, Bruce A. McElvie of Vancouver will give an interesting and entertaining talk on the early folk lore, fairy tales and Indian legends of British Columbia. Donald Adams will be the pianist.

Building permits issued at the City Hall for the weekend ending to-day cover new construction valued at \$7,242, or slightly less than the figures for last week. Two new homes, four garages and three alterations to business premises show in the figures under review.

Princess Patricia Lodge held a business meeting at the K. of P. Hall last evening, with W. P. Sister Latham in the chair. Several members were welcomed. Final arrangements were made for the annual banquet of St. George's Day, April 23, and a card social after the meeting at the B.C. Funeral Chapel at 2:30 o'clock.

James MacLachlan, Gladstone Avenue, who died yesterday morning was a native of Ontario and had been a resident of this city for many years. Mr. MacLachlan was a man of about forty-five years of age and was found dead in his bed, following a brief illness, by members of his household early yesterday.

Tenders for the painting of 306 benches in city parks are called by E. S. Michael, City Purchasing Agent, to-day, returnable on Wednesday. The tenders are for labor only, and the material is already on hand. To be considered, tenders must reach the office of the City Purchasing Agent by noon on April 21.

Ghent, Belgium, April 17.—An unidentified person recently fired three shots at the residence of the Minister of Railways Edward Anseele, who is at present in Italy, and then threw the head of a cannon shell into one of the windows. The shell failed to explode. No one was hurt. The police believe the shooter must be a member of the royal family.

HOTEL LOBBY GOSSIP

NOTED PSYCHOLOGIST ARRIVES

The scourge of life to-day, weakness of the nerves, is due, psychologists say, to the control of fear, according to Mrs. Florence Mole, founder and president of St. Mary's Nursery College, London, who arrived here to-day from Vancouver. She has recently been seen by Dr. J. S. McMillan, the well-known artist. The ornamental work included a design embodying the lion rampant and the thistle.

Coming so closely after the annual lecture on "Disease and Political Novel," to be delivered by Dr. W. L. MacDonald at Victoria College at 8:15 on Thursday evening next, will have added interest. This lecture is the last of the University Extension Association series this season, and the views of the members on next year's syllabus will be asked for.

In view of his departure for England shortly the Victoria High School has invited Drury Pye, the well-known violinist, to give a recital at the school on Friday evening next, April 23. Mr. Pye will be assisted by Mrs. Jessie Longfield, contralto and F. Grattan, a violinist who recently arrived from Toronto. A very delightful programme is being arranged for this farewell recital.

F. Smith, a sailor, was yesterday fined \$200 with the option of three months' imprisonment for supplying a minor with liquor, when arraigned before Magistrate J. P. The Esquimalt Police Court. Constable James Strong gave evidence against the accused who, it was alleged, gave a young girl liquor while taking her home from a dance. R. C. Lowe appeared for the defendant.

TO TALK HERE TO-NIGHT

Mrs. Mole said that she had come to Victoria to speak to-night on the new psychology and psycho-analysis at an open meeting which is being held at 8 o'clock to-night at the First Unitarian Church, Fernwood and Balmoral Roads.

PUTTING OUT SPECIAL EDITION

George Murray, journalist, and agricultural expert, is over from Vancouver to attend the Dominion Hotel.

Mrs. Murray is putting out a special edition of Country Life featuring Victoria and parts of this Island. With him here is C. A. Allen-Henney.

Mrs. Sloan, who has been down

from Nanaimo staying at the Hotel Empress, accompanied her husband, the Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines, on the Island this morning to their home at Nanaimo.

VANCOUVER WEEK-END VISITORS

Among the Vancouver people over for a week-end visit are Mr. and Mrs. H. Long, F. B. Bogg, R. Synder, T. Fletcher, H. H. McDougal, G. H. Schaffer, J. P. Bell, James Eckman, Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Hill, Mr. and F. W. Peters, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Rogers, R. B. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Keate, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Newcome, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McElhaney, who are at the Empress Hotel.

Applications for franchises, accom-

panied by the necessary \$12,500 cheques to show good faith, were filed from five cities, New York, Detroit, Chicago, Philadelphia and Cleveland. Five separate interests from Detroit were represented respectively by P. R. Bierer, B. C. Whitney, J. J. Miller, B. H. Mc-

Creath and Percy Lessner, former Ottawa goalkeepers and present manager of the Waterloo, Ontario, arena.

With Mr. McElhaney is associated Percy Hamby, formerly with St. Patricks of Toronto.

SEATTLE PEOPLE HERE

A Seattle holiday party at the Em-

ersonia consists of Mrs. M. Fife

Smith, Miss Anne Fife Smith and

Russell Cory. Mrs. Fife Smith is also

over from Seattle and has with her

Mrs. W. H. Arnold of Melville, Mani-

tan. They are at the Empress Hotel.

Other Montana people here are

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Stanford,

Manitou, who are at the Hotel

Stratford. Mr. and Mrs. Harry J.

Hervin came across from Port An-

geles this morning and are on a holi-

day at the Dominion Hotel. Mr. and

Mrs. A. L. Greene of Sequim are at

the Hotel Stratford.

Among the prairie visitors here is

Mable Lang of Watrous, Saskatchewan, who is at the Express Hotel.

TO HANDLE CHILDREN

It is important to guide the im-

aginative rightly. A child has pinched

his finger. He begins to cry. His

mother runs to him, kisses his hand

and tells him he isn't hurt any more.

He stops crying and smiles. The

reason is that his mother's reassur-

ance makes him imagine there's no

pain, and he actually ceases to

feel pain.

"But if the mother were alarmed

and cried out, 'Poor darling, how

you have hurt yourself!' the child

would cry harder and his suffering

would be greater.

Among children auto-suggestion

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TO HANDLE CHILDREN

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When the Admiral-Oriental Mail liner President Madison, Capt. Quinn, docked at Pier Two at 7.30 o'clock this morning, she was accorded the honor of being the first of the five United States Shipping Board steamships to arrive inbound at Victoria since they were disposed of to R. Stanley Dollar. When the Madison arrives at Seattle she will discharge her inward cargo, and according to reports, she will then be drydocked and surveyed by both the American Bureau of Shipping and the United States Steamboat Inspection Service to determine what repairs are necessary. Following this it is expected that the Madison will be turned over to R. Stanley Dollar.

Capt. Quinn is of the opinion that the vessel will remain in the trans-pacific service.

The Madison brought in a good list of passengers, there being forty-nine first class, thirty-four steerage, the steerage there were 296 Chinese and Japanese. For Victoria the vessel had twenty-two steerage passengers, including eight Japanese and fourteen Chinese. All the first-class passengers on the vessel proceeded to Seattle.

In freight the Madison had about 3,100 tons aboard including 1,500 bales of raw silk valued at \$2,000,000. For Victoria the vessel had 100 tons of freight consisting chiefly of gunnies and cases of silk goods. Gunnies were the chief item on the ship's cargo this trip, there being 2,000 bales listed on the ship's manifest.

The Madison cleared at 9.30 o'clock for Seattle.

Among the prominent passengers on board were: Robert G. Quinn, who has been on vacation trip to the Orient and is returning to his home in Chicago; R. G. Burgess, representing a big copra interest in Manila, on a vacation tour of the United States; J. E. Leeson, on his way home after a pleasure tour of the Orient; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Case and family, the former being representative of Struthers & Berry; Mrs. Mary Carhuff and Mrs. E. M. Illingworth, tourists returning home after an extended tour of the Orient; Mr. James S. Cooper, professor in the university at Manila; Antonio L. De Leon, a student, en route to the United States for post-graduate work at the University of Washington; G. S. Garrett, Oriental purchasing officer of the United States Shipping Board; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Grinnell, the former being manager of the General Electric Company at Kobe; N. C. Fassett, Oriental representative of the Corona Typewriter Company, on a business trip to the States; Miss Wong Kabat, an old resident of Portland, returning home after spending over five years in South Africa; Mr. and Mrs. A. Kazanjian, who is a prominent rug dealer in Tientsin, now on a business trip to Persia; James Kiefer, Seattle attorney, returning home after a round trip on the President Madison; Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Kurt and family, Mr. Kurt being with the Standard Oil Company in Chekiang; E. L. Penwell, on the staff of the Standard Oil Company at Kobe; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Quest, automobile and garage proprietor of Manila, on a vacation trip to the States; Miss Laura St. Clair, a school teacher of the Philippines, returning home on account of ill health, and A. Sheshunoff, a fur buyer of New York, returning from a trip to the Far East.

Sidney

Sidney, April 17.—A very jolly tea party was held on Wednesday in Wesley Hall, when the Sunday School pupils of Mrs. Crichton and Mrs. Hill were given a treat. About twenty-eight children were present. After all had thoroughly enjoyed a good tea the time was spent in counting up the different makes of motor cars was won by Gordon Hambley and Winnifred Taylor, first, and Robert Homewood and Harold Dear, second. Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Crichton were assisted by Mrs. Dean and two sons of Victoria.

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FREIGHT AND PASSENGER NOTES

Canadian National Railway has made Hudson, Ont., the getting off place for Red Lake mining area, a regular stop for trains.

Fright will be accorded for the latest aircraft meet in Western Canada, from all eastern points April 2, but will be held at transfer points for the opening of navigation.

Arrangements are reported to have been completed for the resumption of the through passenger service between Chicago, Ill., Winnipeg, Man., and Vancouver, B.C., May 1. The trains will be operated over the Chicago and Northwestern and the Canadian National Railways, the westbound one to be called the Arrowhead Limited and the eastbound one the Chicago Limited.

Canadian National Railway is reported to have contracted to haul eleven cars of structural steel a day for three months from the Dominion Bridge Company's plant at Lachine, Que., to the site of the Aluminum Corporation's plant on the Saguenay River.

Canadian National Railway is reported to have arranged to run ten special trains from different points in Canada for the Eucharistic Congress, Chicago, June 29 to Aug. 4. A. H. Chapman, general passenger agent, Chicago, was in Montreal recently completing the arrangements.

An embargo placed on the importation of European fruit by the United States Government has resulted in Canadian fruit manufacturers committing to import all the oranges required for their margarine manufacturing via St. John, N.B., instead of via New York as formerly. The first shipment was unloaded at St. John from the S.S. Valencia, from Seville, Spain. Captain H. H. French, port chief traffic officer, from Chicago, and George R. Hayes, passenger traffic manager, also of Chicago.

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As a result of a conference between tourist associations and railway officials at St. John, N.B., recently, a special weekend train

is spending the week-end in Victoria.

S. Mitchell of the Alpine Club here has gone to California for a holiday.

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GRAIN EXPORTS CAN MAKE PORT

(Continued from page 1)

ASTORIA DID IT

Astoria, a few years ago, was nothing but a sleepy little town, said Mr. Pinneo. Its people had a sudden awakening, however, when they realized that by co-operative effort and hard work they could build themselves greater prosperity. The County Agricultural Association recognized the value of shipping to a port, bonded itself for \$4,000,000 and erected wharves, grain elevator and flour mill preparatory for the ships which they hoped would call there. Today Astoria was a flourishing seaport and a bright future seemed to be in store for the town.

One of the things which had made it possible for Astoria to go ahead was lumbering. Mr. Pinneo stated, small lots of lumber would not attract shippers, so he suggested making up a freight train of sixty cars at Fort City, Ont., March 29, carrying Ford motor cars, to be run through to Vancouver, B.C., on a fast schedule.

"Your lumber assembly plant here in Victoria would work wonders along the same line," Mr. Pinneo said. "I believe you will find it a paying proposition."

NEED GOOD ELEVATOR

Victoria would immediately enter into competition with other ports of the Pacific Coast if it was to build an elevator. Mr. Pinneo said it was more necessary that it have the best accommodation procurer. He referred to the fact that the Canadian National Railways had made a promise to supply grain by ferry. The railway must recognize the possibilities of the port, he suggested. Since in loading time it would be faster than the existing ships, Victoria could offer to kick wheat shipping concerns which owned their own vessels would attract these exporting houses to do business here, he claimed.

No matter if a vessel was inbound or outbound she could pick up parcels lots of wheat at Victoria, Mr. Pinneo said. The business could be additional to the full cargo shipments which would be made.

NEED NO BUNKERS

Mr. Pinneo declared that he would never invest a cent in coal bunkers in Victoria. It was not necessary, he said. Ships did not need coal. They burned oil, he stated, in the majority of cases. When Victoria had an elevator running at capacity speed here, one of the swift loading lines there, the oil companies would not slow in taking their share of business.

They would rent their space, or buy it, pay their taxes and be content to lend their business to the general advancement of Victoria.

The greatest amount of business could be obtained if an elevator were run as that of Astoria. There was no "open-shop" there. Anyone could load. The elevator played no favorites and did a bigger business. He advised that the same system be employed in Victoria and that it be kept in mind the project out of the hands of private interests who might wish to lease it, if Victorians built their own elevator.

Mr. Pinneo was of the opinion that Victoria could get many of the big grain exporting concerns lined up as customers before an elevator was erected. He said, to give assistance and advice to Victoria, for he could see that there was a future for the port if the people took advantage of their opportunities.

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GOLF RULES SHOULD BE RUTHLESSLY CUT

Vardon Believes Only Bare Essentials Needed

Real Spirit of Game Would Be Understood by Many More People if Rules Were Briefer, Declared Former British Open Champion; Tells of the "Pawnbroker Shot" and the Lost Ball in Bunker

BY HARRY VARDON

There seems to be no limitation to the number of knotty points which may arise in connection with the rules of golf.

For as many years as most of us can remember, the Rules Committee of St. Andrews have been publishing periodical batches of decisions on problems submitted to them by clubs in all parts of the world. The work continues, another set of riddles and answers being promulgated a week or two ago. I suppose the truth is that a game which is pursued in circumstances presented by Nature in her variety of moods throughout the universe, is bound to produce an illimitable supply of new situations.

At the same time, there can be no doubt that many questions are to a place where I can't play it, and then I pick it up and put it in my pocket." And that, after all, is golf.

Mayberry Winner Over Bud Davies

Vancouver, April 17.—Howard Mayberry of Hamilton, Ontario, amateur lightweight champion of Canada, won a ten-round decision over Bud Davies of Vancouver at the arena here last night. Mayberry shaded his opponent in a fast battle. The easterner weighed 117 pounds and Davies 122 pounds.

The party, stating the case, put forward the wholly admissible argument that, in certain circumstances, when making a shot in a bunker, the golfer has no intention of striking the ball. He aims two or three or four inches behind it, so that the disturbance of the sand will dislodge the ball from the hazard.

This is, indeed, a familiar everyday happening, and it is the kind taught by all instructors for recovering from a heavy lie in sand. It has been accepted for so long that nobody is likely to be alarmed to the degree of abandoning it.

Still, there is the technically. The player has no intention of striking the ball. Consequently, if he makes contact with it and it fails to move it, has he played a shot at all?

A POINT IN PUTTING

In the question on the rules are thorough perplexity. One of the leading amateurs, whose golf was developed after the war, had a curious habit on the putting green.

When addressing the ball, he would not merely ground the club in front of it; he would lift the club to and fro over the ball, and each time give the ball a sharp whack. This shot was quite unconscious of his ways until, in the final of a big tournament, the referee pointed out to him that he was going very near to infringing the rule which says that nothing may be pressed down with the club or in any other way. And then he went so completely off his game that he never shot again.

Inexhaustible is the variety of curious incidents on the golf course. These are two engaging happenings related to me. The scene of the first was a course in Middlesex.

The shots of both sides appeared to go into the same bunker, with the players arriving, only one ball could be found. It lay eighty in a small heel-mark. A long search—the full five minutes and more—was made for the ball, both in the hazard and around it. No trace of it could be found. Ultimately its owner gave up the hole.

The opponent then lifted his ball out of the heel-mark and there, beneath it, was the "lost" ball.

How could the cause of perfect equity have been met in such a case as this? And even if it had been known that one ball was covering the other, could the top ball have been lifted without the hazard of the other man to play, or would its proprietor have had to tackle the shot with almost the certainty of striking both balls?

THE THREE-BALL SHOT

The other incident might be called "the pawnbroker shot."

A player drove into the bracken. He found the ball lying in the thick of the fern, but visible. He made a mighty swipe at it, and up came three balls—his own, and two more from the undergrowth. Hence the term "the pawnbroker shot."

As the tale was related to me, all the balls were of the same make; they flew in various directions and the player could not for the life of him tell which was his. This happened, I am told, at Walton Heath during a meeting of the Old Curiosity Golfing Society. I have heard off people seeing double, but the circumstance of seeing treble is convincing.

It would not be a bad thing if an expert sub-editor with a profound knowledge of the spirit and practice of golf were appointed by the Royal and Ancient to draw up a few simple rules and cut them down to bare essentials, reserving all the laws on points which do not often arise for a supplementary list, to which recourse could be had when necessity arose.

SHOULD BE BRIEFER

If the rules were much briefer (if they were made so even by ruthless excisions) the main points, and perhaps the real spirit of the game, would be easily understood. That veteran ex-champion, John E. Ladlay, hit the nail on the head when the subject was under discussion on one occasion.

"I don't know much about the rules," he confessed. "All I know is that I play the ball unless it gets in-

PRESENT DAY ATHLETICS HAS PLENTY OF REAL IRON MEN



Nurmi, Tilden, Paddock And Hoff Stand A-pace

Old-timers Talk About Iron Men of Their Day, But They Had Nothing on Star Athletes of Present Day; Hagen, Berlenbach, Greb and Cobb Other Men Who Show Amazing Stamina

BY ROBERT EDGREN

The past had its iron men in all lines of sport, but there is just as much iron in some of our modern champions. In the old days there was Lon Myers, the greatest runner of his time, Carter, Connell, Kilpatrick—a long list of them. Bernie Wefers ran for years, an unbeaten champion. Iron Man Joe McGinnity pitched championship ball through two or three generations of ball players. Iron Man Austin Rice took the wallop of all the half-pint sluggers in his day. Iron-Man Hogan played four years of Yale football without taking out time.

But how about Charlie Paddock, whom many believe to be the best breaker on the cinder path, who is training right now for an attempt to put the world's hundred-yard record down to nine and two-fifths seconds? Paddock has his record breaking streaks, and goes off a bit between times which is natural. He needs a long siege of training to reach his top form, and unless he trains for a couple of months he isn't sure of a record.

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INSIDE STORY OF COUGARS' DEFEAT

"Better Days" Victim Of Bad Double-Cross

"Spanish Curse" Placed on Puck Four Times by Porter, But Three Times It Was Sidetracked and Different Puck Used; In Third Game Montreal, Expecting an Easy Victory, Let "Better Days" Get His Puck Into Action and the Worlds Knows the Result

By ARCHIE WILLS

"Better Days" was double-crossed. That's the inside story on the recent Stanley Cup competition staged in the snow-bound city of Montreal.

Had "Better Days" been able to put over his "Spanish curse" in big league style the Victoria Cougars might still be hockey champions of the world. Only once did "Better Days" get away with his stunt—and it worked. He was double-crossed in all his other efforts.

"Better Days" was the rabbit's foot of the Victoria team. This big genial porter, who had charge of the special C.P.R. coach which carried the Cougars to the East throughout the past season, had a monkey-trick that made the ex-champions almost unbeatable.

"Better Days," when born south of the Dixie line, was well-named, his complete signature on all cheques and hotel registers being William Harrison DeBerry. But with "W.H." he was a "better days," no matter whether the snow falls or the moonshine, so the Cougars rechristened him. In some quarters his aristocratic bearing and eloquent language has gained for him the sobriquet of "The Count."

DOUBLE CROSS BEATS HIM

"Better Days" watched the Cougars play fifteen games in the Western League schedule and play-off this season and only twice did he have to nurse a defeat and on both those occasions he was double-crossed. Someone let the wrong puck get into the games. Once "Better Days" blessed the puck Victoria won. "The Count" came to Victoria for the play-off games with Saskatoon and Edmonton and talked to "dat little black rubber ball," as he reverently calls the puck, and Victoria won.

But down in Montreal "Better Days" had a big hole cut in his reputation by a two-downs bit of double-crossing. Before the first game he took the puck into a corner, spoke kindly to it, threw it in the air twice, kissed it and concluded: "Ain't nuthin' to dat. Naw, go get 'em boys. I'll tell da world we got 'em."

THE WRONG PUCK

The puck which had received so much attention from "Better Days" was taken out on to the ice and the Cougars warmed up with it. Then the referees picked up a puck with which to start the game and they got one that "Better Days" had not put in. Result, defeat.

In the second game "Better Days" once again went to the dressing-room and took the puck. But once again the puck was lost in the mix-up and the wrong one started.

Things were different in the third game. There was a general feeling that Montreal would win and end the series and some of the folks began celebrating the victory before the teams took the ice. That is where "Better Days" got over his big stroke. Montreal apparently did not care whether they played with a tin-can, whoop or dog biscuit. So "Better Days" got the puck he blessed into the game. The referees faced it off and the porter sat by confident of the result. As "The Count" says, "There was nuthin' to it." Victoria won.

BALKED AGAIN

When the fourth game came around the puck tape on the part of Montreal. They went out to win and it was impossible for "Better Days" to get his favorite puck into action. So Victoria lost.

"Better Days" shook his head after the fourth game and his heart was a little sad.

"I'll tell the world, but there's better days ahead. Y' can't win all de time but ah sure thought you'd harness 'em."

It was not long before "Better Days" had forgotten to shake his head and began to shake his dogs in a wicked Charleston. Bill Boucher, master of the comedians, visited the Cougars at the Windsor Hotel and he had his ukulele under his arm. Boucher struck up "I Want to Be Happy" and with a whoop of "Better Days," the Cougar porter went right after the world's championship for Charleston dancers. "The Count" must have put the "Spanish curse" on his tootles for he had them flying four ways for a cat's whisker at one time.

"Better Days" is now back on his old run making down Hullman berths and, while he is sorry how things went in the world's series, the future still looks bright and, as he goes about his job you hear him cheerfully saying:

"Better Days."

While the Victoria Cougars did not succeed in retaining the Stanley Cup they did succeed in giving the East a lesson in sportsmanship. The westerners, who had been beaten, accepted their defeat with a distinct impression in Montreal, and, as a result, Victoria were as glorious in defeat as were, Montreal in victory.

For the first time in the history of professional hockey a conquered club congratulated their victors on the ice. It has been a practice in the past to invite the winning club's dressing-room and offer their congratulations. But the Cougars acted differently in Montreal.

At the end of the game, however, the Cougars, realized that their team could not overcome the 2-1 lead established by Montreal in the fourth and deciding game, so he had his four supporters, who were on the bench, ready to leap on the ice the moment the final bell rang. At the signal the boys went over the side and headed at top speed for the exit. They cut



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Amateur Cards Held Up On Hockey Boys In Central League

Winnipeg Players Cannot Participate in Amateur Sport in Canada

Scott-Moncrieff is On Winning Side in English Golf Match

Ronnie Scott - Moncrieff, who has competed in the Central International Hockey League will be permitted to play amateur sport in Manitoba until he makes application for an amateur card, and this card will be withheld pending investigation. This was the decision arrived at the meeting of the Manitoba branch of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada, at a meeting this week. This will delay for a time all sporting activities of the Maroons as well as Mike Goodman of Duluth, and George Clark of St. Paul. It is also possible that other provincial bodies will recognize the ruling of this provincial body, and the players from Alberta and Ontario may fall in line.

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AUTO NOW LEADS IN UTILITY RACE

Motor Cars Have Started to Forge Ahead of Telephone

If the average person were asked to name the most commonly used modern utility, the answer would probably be "the telephone." All have been accustomed to communicate with friends great distances away, and there is always a phone so closely at hand somewhere, that such an answer would seem logical. But statistics show that it would be incorrect. There is a utility—far more costly to acquire and maintain—that has outstripped the telephone during the last few years in the extent to which it is used. That utility is the motor car.

NOT GREAT DIFFERENCE

To be sure, the difference is not so very great at present, nor has the dominance of the automobile been of very long standing. The telephone had about fifteen years start over the motor car, and its great worth was so quickly appreciated that by

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N.Y. Proposes Bill to Bar Betting Parties in Automobiles as Safety Measure

All sorts of automobile legislation is being introduced in the New York legislature.

For some reason the proposed tax on gasoline, which is in force in all but four states, seems to have little chance of passing; but many other measures, far more objectionable to motorists, stand a good chance of becoming law.

A bill providing for several important changes in the state motor vehicle law, including a proposal to prevent "betting parties" on public highways, has been introduced by Senator Ferris and Assemblyman Bartholomew, Republicans.

The measure carries out recommendations made by the special legislative committee which has made a study of the motor vehicle traffic laws.

The "anti-petting" provision would make reckless driving include "stopping and parking in a manner which would interfere with the free and proper use of public highways."

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SUGGESTIONS FOR SAVING OF RUBBER

Tire Men Offer Six Different Rules to Help the Motorist Save His Tires

Suggestions to the motorist to make his tires last longer have been made public by the tire manufacturers' division of the Rubber Association of America as part of a campaign to reduce rubber consumption in order to check the rising price of rubber.

The association submits the following rules for the conservation of tires:

1. Air inflation—Learn the correct air pressure for your tires and check it with a gauge every few days. Remember that four pounds loss of pressure in a balloon tire of a certain size, for which the correct pressure may be thirty pounds is just as serious as a loss of twenty or three times that much in a high pressure tire of a corresponding size.

2. Overloading—Avoid overloading your tires—and when it is absolutely unavoidable help the tires to handle the extra load by putting in more air. If the overloading is likely to be continuous change your tires for larger ones.

3. Rapid tread wear—Anything which causes a tire to drag with more or less side motion instead of running true, will grind the rubber tread away faster than is normal. Check your car over to day to see whether you are losing tire service because of any of the various forms of wheel irregularities.

4. Chain abrasions—See that your chains are not so tight that they cut into the tread and fabric carcass of the tire.

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Jack there. It might even have been the same one, lieutenant."

CHAPTER XIX

"Sure, Who's that?" agreed O'Day.

"Find the man that murdered my father and I'll tell you," said Jimmy.

"You mean the same people who got your father after you?"

"Exactly. See, I'm afraid I'm going to find out something. Per-

haps whoever it is thinks that be-

cause I'm here in New York I know

more than I do. And another reason

is that I'm thinking about what

you wanted me to do."

"I'll tell you after you give me

your opinion."

O'Day puffed reflectively on his

cigar. "Hm-m-m. Did you say this

now with the gun came running

from the direction of this house?"

"Yes. Evidently he was a partner

of the other man."

"Yeah, no question about that.

Well, Rand, it might have been a holdup. The fellow with the black hand

was bent around the neck and had

you off at your house and the other

man trailed you. They had you

headed off both ways. The trouble

is you upset their plans by not wait-

ing. You got away with it because

you surprised this guy off his feet."

"Yeah, I think so. I might have

been a holdup, but doesn't it strike

you as funny that those men should

know where I lived?"

"Well, yes. Mind you, I said it

MIGHT have been an attempted

holdup. I'm not saying I think it

was. And of course, it's not

out of the question that a couple

of stickup guys should take the

trouble to find out where the party

they're after live. They might have

been watching you for some time,

waiting for the opportunity."

They were watching me, all right.

Lieutenant O'Day, holding the note

of the warning note he had received

the night he left for Grafton, and

of the phone call that followed.

"And now the ladybird tells me I

got another phone call yesterday

from someone who seemed sur-

pised to learn I was coming back

to town."

O'Day whistled. "Jumpin' Jerusa-

lem! Why didn't you say something

to me about this before? You've had

a narrow squeak and no mistake."

"Well, I'm no alarmist, but I con-

fess this thing has got me guessing

that that fellow and the phone calls

and now this thing to-night—they

are connected up pretty closely, don't they?"

"Connect up? I'll say they con-

nect up. Whoever wrote that note

meant it. He wasn't bluffing. -But

who's after you, and what for? Are

you holding something else back,

Rand?"

"Not another thing." He smiled.

"Hereafter, lieutenant, you'll know

every card that's played in this

game. I didn't believe it before, but

now I'm convinced that whenever

he gets the chance, he'll murder me

in broad daylight. I think their

plan to-night was for the man with

the revolver to stop me in front of

the house on the pretense of robbing

me while the other sneaked up

from behind and hit me over the

head with that blackjack. Oh—

I didn't show you that blackjack, did I?"

"No," grunted O'Day. Jimmy

climbed down off the bed and walked

over to his coat. The weapon was

"It's against the regulations—

sitting on duty before midnight,

but I was never one to look a regulat-

tion in the eye when my system's

crying out for the weed." Rand:

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BEAUTY SPECIALIST
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THAT I, HIS WIFE, SHOULD
TOSS HIS BUSINESS HIS
WAY AND ENCOURAGE
HIM!

HELLO MUTT! I'M
GLAD YOU'RE AT
LEISURE BECAUSE
I WANT YOU TO
START RIGHT IN
ON MY FACE AND MAKE
ME BEAUTIFUL!

I'M SORRY,
M'LVE, BUT
I GOTTA
REFUSE
YOUR
REQUEST!

BUT, MUTT,
WE NEED
BUSINESS.
IT'S NICE
OF YOUR
WIFE TO
COME
TO US!

YOU KEEP
OUT
OF
THIS,
I'VE
HEARD?

BUT JEFF'S RIGHT,
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ONLY THAT BUT
I'LL REWARD
YOU HANDSOMELY
IF YOU'LL MAKE
ME BEAUTIFUL!

IT AIN'T THE MONEY, M'DEAR.
BUT THE DAY OF
MIRACLES IS PAST!

SOME FLOWERS
FOR MUTT,
DOC! WELL
HE LIVE?

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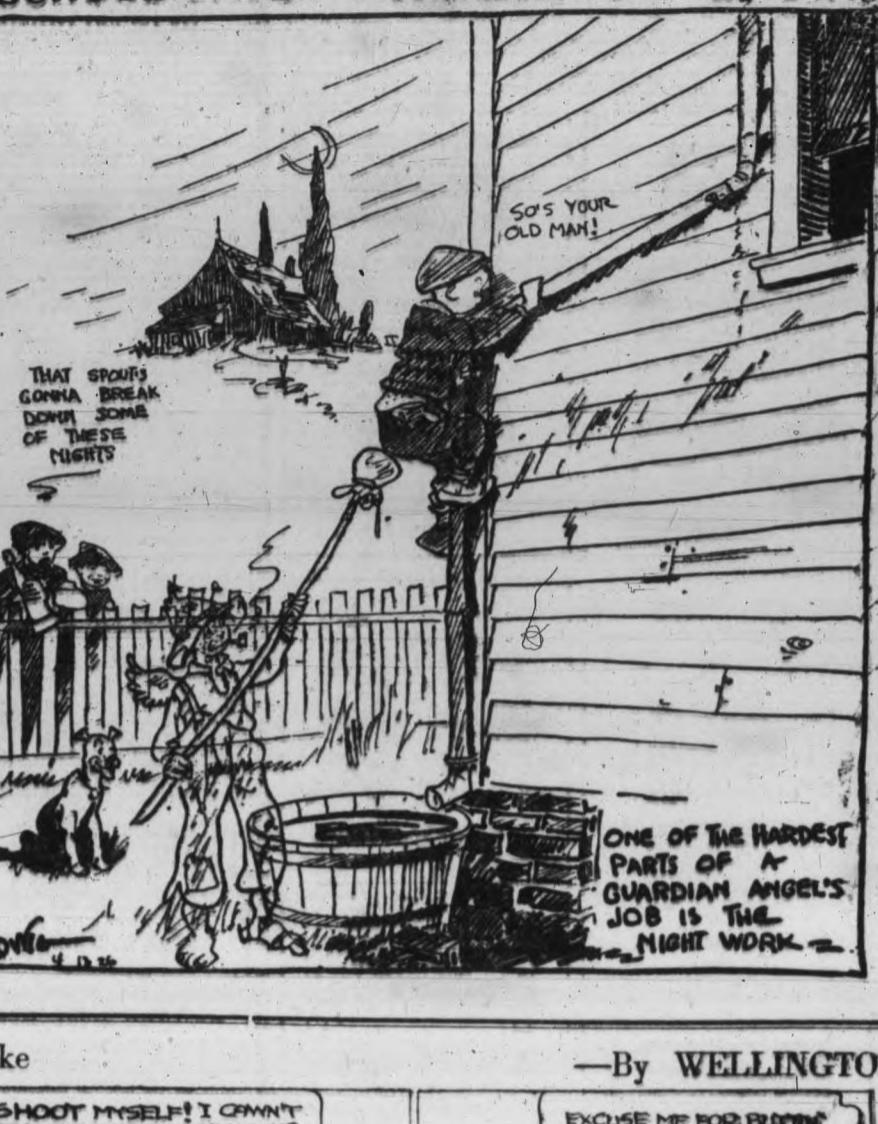
Augustus Mutt Flirted With Death, Thass All

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CUSTOMS OFFENCES IN NEWFOUNDLAND

Report Presented to Parliament Tells of Losses Government Suffered

Montreal, April 17.—Serious irregularities in the Newfoundland Customs Department were alleged in a report tabled in the House of Assembly yesterday afternoon from the accounting firm of Reed's Sons & Watsons, which has been investigating 'into' the department at the request of the Monroe Government beginning in June 1924. The report was presented to the Government in January, but was not tabled until yesterday.

It declared the system of temporary permits had been abused and alleged irregularities on the part of officials and customs brokers. In some instances, the report said, permits had been issued and no duties collected, while other undulations had been overlooked. Other charges were that warehouse books other records contained innumerable errors, and in some instances had not been kept at all.

FALSE INVOICES

"It was a general custom to release goods without the duty having been paid," said the report. "In the management of the examining-store false invoices were presented involving sums running into thousands of dollars."

The arrears in duties, when the auditors took over the Customs Department, were given as \$30,000, including \$11,794 owed by the Liquor Control Department on liquor withdrawn from bonds during the period from May 1 to November 1919, and it was said the department had paid no duty for a period of four and a half years.

TAX ON BETTING IS PLANNED IN BRITAIN

Support For Proposal Grows; London Daily News in Favor of it

London, April 17 (Canadian Press cable)—The rapidly growing support for the proposed impost on betting, expected to be announced in the budget shortly to be introduced in the House of Commons by Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, results in another unexpected approval in the London Daily News, which is particularly associated with what is known as the Nonconformist conscience.

"We never have been able to see there is much in the idea that taxation of betting would give it some new status of respectability," The News says.

"Whatever we may think of betting, it is an ingrained national habit. Money is badly needed for the public services and some new source of revenue will almost certainly have to be found. That being so, we would rather it should be extracted from the bookmakers and their clients than from the pockets of the poor."

EVASION EXPECTED

The Daily News, however, is sure there would be extensive evasion of the tax, which would be liable to leakage on the general ground that it was not a good tax. A much graver objection though in the opinion of The News is the setting up of a ring of Hensons bookmakers upon whom the Government would rely for the detection of the unqualified bookmakers.

The Spectator, a paper which like The Daily News has not been a particular favorite of the anti-gambling forces, nevertheless, is apt to toward the gambling habit, wishes the opponents of the taxation of betting could produce some practical alternative toward the discouragement of betting.

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VICTORIA, B.C., SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 1926

Engineers Conquer the Fraser Canyon

Wonder Highway Links All B.C. by Road

On Foundations of Old Gold-seekers' Perilous Trail, Province Builds Scenic Route Which Will Join Coast With Vast B.C. Interior For First Time; Carved Into Rocky Walls Above Foaming Fraser, New Cariboo Road Will Thrill World's Travelers When Opened This Summer.

SIXTY years ago a ragged stream of adventurers struggled up the Fraser River on the long trail to Cariboo and its treasure troves of placer gold. Along a narrow, treacherous trail they went, these men of the great gold rush of the sixties—a trail where man and beast clung perilously to the sheer, rocky sides of the Fraser Canyon with its swirling waters hundreds of feet below. Then came the Royal Engineers, who performed one of the most notable feats of engineering that America has seen when they built the Cariboo Wagon Road along the route of the original trail in 1862. And to-day, with the construction of a broad, safe motor road, carved into the very walls of the canyon, the British Columbia Government is writing the last chapter of this romantic story.

In the middle of this summer the Government will open the new Cariboo Road, built in many places on the foundations laid by the gold-seekers over half a century ago and retaining the old road's name. To the romantic associations thus conjured up, the new road adds many scenic attractions probably unequalled in America and for the first time links the coast of British Columbia with its vast interior by motor travel. Its completion will be one of the most important milestones in the history of the Canadian West.

When Nature built the foundations of North America, it laid its mountain ranges north and south; but the people who came to inhabit the continent wanted to move east and west. That, in a word, explains the engineering problems with which British Columbia had to cope in attempting to build a road from its coast to its interior. An almost impassable barrier stood in the way—

the high, rugged coast mountains. Through them ran one gigantic passage, the Fraser River, which had cut for itself a jagged canyon in the living rock. To cross the mountains it was necessary to follow this natural passage, but this was a feat formidable enough to make any engineer pause. Not only was the construction of a road here a task of enormous magnitude, but the problem was complicated by the location of two transcontinental railways clinging to the very walls of the canyon. To cut a third passage-way without disturbing the existing roads was challenge to the craftsmanship of the most skilled engineers.

ROAD IS WELL BUILT

But the work has been done, and in an amazingly short time. The road surface, it is true, will not be in perfect condition this year. Its surface is bound to settle somewhat under the strain of heavy traffic but it will be far



Two passages along the dizzy heights of the Fraser Canyon below the Canadian Pacific Railway above the new Cariboo Highway.

better than the average road and after further treatment next year it will form a ribbon, winding smooth and safe along the mountainsides. Thousands of tourists will travel it this season, when it is opened, but they will be few as compared with the hordes which are expected to follow it next year when it has become better known.

While important as a tourist highway—it will be the means of attracting thousands of visitors to the Province and will help to pay for itself through tolls—the

PLAN FURTHER WORK

The link completed this year runs from Hope to Lytton. From there the traveler must make a detour by the Marble Canyon Road before getting to Spence's Bridge from which roads radiate fanwise through the interior. Next year a direct route will be built from Lytton to Spence's Bridge, thus completing the road scheme as originally planned. Meanwhile, however, motorists will be given the advantage of the first and most vital part of the new system, and the small detour will put them to small inconvenience.

MANY ROUTES AVAILABLE

Once at Spence's Bridge, the motorist can choose a wide variety of routes for his further travels in British Columbia. He may swing north, continuing his journey on the original Cariboo Wagon Road up to Williams Lake, into historic Barkerville, the goal of the old gold army, or on to Prince George and thence westward to the settlements along the line of the Grand Trunk Pacific, or eastward to the farming communities on the northern loop of the great Fraser River. Or he may continue to that hub of interior activity, Kamloops, and thence down through the Okanagan Valley to the United States boundary. Another alternative route is through Princeton and thence to Penticton. From the Okanagan he can proceed eastward through the boundary country, Rossland and Trail and Kootenay Lake, to the Rockies,

new highway is still more important as the final link in a road system which covers practically all inhabited parts of British Columbia. Before this passage was cut through the Coast Range a motorist could drive to the interior from the coast and thence eastward only with a detour into the United States and the same difficulty applied to the interior resident coming to the coast. Once having made the detour, of course, all the interior roads and all the coast roads were readily accessible but until this year the mountains stood vast and impassable between. With the opening of the new Cariboo Road, however, it will be possible to drive from Vancouver to the prairies without ever leaving Canadian soil. The highway thus is a national as well as a provincial achievement.

At one point the new road was carried forward through a tunnel. The picture shows the start of work on this passage.

road system of the Province, the new highway will be of the utmost value to business. Salesmen from coast centres will have easier access than ever before to the markets of the interior, and interior residents will be able to drive their own cars to the coast as often as they please. Everywhere in America, as elsewhere, development has followed roads and the new Cariboo Road will be no exception.

Engineers all over America have watched the progress of the new highway with interest and admiration. When the Public Works Department under W. H. Sutherland undertook the work, it did so with the frank anticipation that it would face serious difficulties and perhaps bad accidents before it was finished. It realized that construction would continually expose the two existing railways through the Fraser Canyon to danger from falling rock or from undercutting while the new road was being blasted out of the mountainsides. The bridging of gigantic chasms, the tunneling of a huge projection of rock in one place, and other problems which are mysterious to the lay mind, all

offered prospect of the worst kind of trouble.

But none of these things came to pass. The road was built without mishap and built well. Foundations of solid stone walls, some of them placed on the remains of the old Cariboo Wagon Road, stout bridges of heavy timber, heavy fill of rock and gravel—these form a sure footing for the heaviest traffic. When a motorist starts to cross the Coast Range on the new mountain roads he need have no fear of accidents if he is careful.

EASY GRADES

There are many notable features of the Canyon Highway. Though in its course altitudes range between 350 and 1,175 feet, alignment and grade are such that nowhere is ascent or descent perceptible at any marked degree. The maximum grade is under eight per cent, a grade often exceeded within corporate limits of cities; consequently the highway, as the motorist would say, can be driven in high. Width is ample to permit two cars to pass anywhere with a good margin, and at turns the road is widened. In fact, throughout care has been taken not alone to provide the best possible alignment and grade, but also to make the highway as safe as possible.

A protective rampart wall, two feet, six inches high, solidly constructed of dry stone, extends along the outer edge wherever the slope falls away with any steepness, and where stone was not available, huge peeled fir logs form a guard, thus removing what might be styled as a mental hazard. All this makes for greater



In places the road drops down almost to the water's edge.

Highway to be corrected when the road is opened, and drivers will then marvel at the skill shown in location and the daring displayed in conception of this road, a road safe even for an inexperienced driver. The traveler by train, seeing the rocky fastnesses and bold grandeur of the rugged sides of the canyon, receives the impression that only by literally blasting a shelf along the precipice would a road be possible.

LEVEL COUNTRY, TOO

Those familiar with the pictured scenes of the old Cariboo cines, along narrow ledge-like stretches at dizzy heights, with precipices falling sheer to the seething river below, will carry far different impressions to those which the actualities of the new highway will convey to them. While extensive rock cutting had to be done few now realize that many sections of this highway traverse stretches of flat bench, with mile upon mile of practically level roadway; that in places there are bordering flats and park-like regions, stretches where the road leads through leafy tunnels made by overhanging boughs of deciduous trees. In two places, in particular, are wide areas of flats adjoining, near Boothroyd, and Jamieson Flats, and where the road winds up and down Nine-mile Creek, a wide bench area offers excellent camping grounds. Other places, too, afford suitable camping areas. In places the road winds through farms and orchard lands and Indian villages. In others it has been necessary to blast the grade from the side-hill; at points such as Sailor's Bar, China Bar Bluff, and Jackass Mountain, to carve cuts through the rocky masses which nature has interposed; and at the summit nearing China Bar Bluff to tunnel through the granite precipice which falls sheer to the river.

TUNNEL IS FEATURE

The tunnel will be one of the features of the highway. It is approached from the south by an easy grade through the placid country, and has a length of 240 feet, a width of twenty-five feet, with the roof seventeen feet above, and with smoothly chiseled walls. These dimensions permit of ample natural light throughout. Leaving the tunnel where its northern por-

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Cut into the mountainsides along the Fraser Canyon, the new Cariboo Road is built on foundations of heavy rock walls, as the above picture shows.



Drivers will not have to worry about motoring over the new Transprovincial Highway. At all danger points heavy walls separate the road from the chasms below.

On Dune and Headland Sinks the Fire

Our Coastal Scenery; An Application of Relativity; Shores of Yesterday; Where Never Man Walked

By ROBERT CONNELL

Every summer, large numbers of people take passage by our steamers for various points to the north of us with the ostensible purpose of seeing the scenery between here and Quatsino, or between here and Prince Rupert or an Alaskan port. From the decks they see unfold the panorama of mountain and valley forested hillsides and bare snow-crowned peaks, walled fords and inlet-strewn sounds, foaming waterfalls and sea-meeting glaciers. It is scarcely possible to perceive such scenes without a sense of awe, akin perhaps to the feeling of the astronomer in the presence of distances only measurable in "light years." For in the spe-

sean, but a captive balloon would really be the thing. Of course we must be at sufficient height. And now the south end of the Island spreads itself out like a hand below us. Away to the west is the jagged and indented mass of East Sooke and Rocky Point with Bentinck Island off shore, and further out the reefs of Race Rocks. Then the sea sends a narrow tongue inland in Pedder Bay which nearly merges in the waters of Lake Matheson as it again almost touches the great expanse of Sooke Basin and Harbor. William Head stands out as the southern boundary of Parry Bay, rocky at its southern end but walled by a long straight cliff of sand and clay at the north which has given the countercurrent material for the building of a sand bar across the one-time bay which is now Witty's Lagoon. Here Albert Head intersects another rugged but massive barrier, succeeded by the long and lofty cliffs of clay, sand and gravel which have resulted under the action of the waves in the formation of a small lagoon at the south end, and of by far the largest in our neighborhood near Esquimalt. Now comes Rodd Point and the deep anchorage of Esquimalt Harbor, beyond which the peninsula of Esquimalt, most nearly cut across by the sea at its mid-eastern side, projects a front broken by innumerable little bays and, in the old English sense of the word, creeks. The harbor of Victoria enters and continues its course under the successive names of Victoria Arm, Selkirk Water, the Gorge, Portage Inlet, for a distance of six or seven miles, a winding waterway of varying width and depth, bounded by dark glaciated rock surfaces, and with its reversible falls; surely one of the strange harbors of the world! Then the rocks of Ogden Point give way to the yellow cliffs of clay which bound Douglas Roads and Beacon Hill Park. Down their sides, the green of hardy herbs and grasses slowly spreads from year to year, marking the limits of the sea's force as the land says: "Hitherto shalt thou come, proud sea, and no further!" From the general evenness of outline, heads of black rock meet the breaking waves and between them little bays lie in safe seclusion. Like a defiant finger, Glover Point runs out seaward and terminates in rugged riven rock, but by far the greater part of its length is made up of the cliffs of clay whose summits here dip to a slightly lower height. Almost has the sea cut its way through this narrow neck of turfed soil whose elevation above the waves seems at once audacious and uncertain. The low cliff of Ross Bay succeeds, where the sea still carries on its old warfare against the land though restrained by the cement wall which human hands have interposed. What its shocks are and what its persistent influence the disintegrated surface of the sloping falls and the crowning balustrades reveals. Between the long gently curving shore of Ross Bay and the short sea-front of Foul Bay a headland of terraced gneiss is interposed, while beyond, Gonzales Hill reappears beneath the fringe of grassy plain in a fissured landscape in whose rocks are tidal pools cut in the dark slates and walled by pale green felsite. Out to sea the Trial Islands continue the course of the outward stretching point. Macmillan or Shalab Hill shows but a low cliff of little more at its highest than a man's stature and ends to the north in the rugged promontory of Gonzales Point. The long sweep of Oak Bay is separated from its extension in Willows Beach by a low point of rock, and then there succeeds the irregular mass of the Upland's eastern edge. Cadboro is eaten out as it were in the incoherent sands and clays between the last and the high ridge of Pemberton Heights. The coastline turning north from Ten Mile Point is cut only by one or two tiny bays till Gordon Head is reached where a promontory of crystalline rock, rising in places into high precipitous cliffs, make a more or less effectual stand against the force of the sea. Beyond lie the lofty, but gradually decreasing cliffs of Cordova Bay.

AN APPLICATION OF RELATIVITY

As the "Princess" cruises the south end of the Island on her way from Vancouver to Victoria, the passenger whose home is on the shores now closely approached notices almost with a start, the strangeness of their appearance from this unaccustomed standpoint. The coast takes on a smoothness of horizontal contour from the disappearance of the numerous points of rugged rock, now merely black specks against the yellow and grey of the low cliffs. The concavity of the bays vanishes too, since they do not possess sufficient depth horizontally to allow of the effect of aerial perspective. The hills retire and seem to rise from a rolling plain which encircles their bases. In this respect the view from the sea brings us with its loss of detail a correct report and a juster idea of the physiography of the country in its larger features than is had than is ordinarily obtainable on land, where, too often, we "cannot see the wood for the trees." How entirely different is the spectacle which meets one when the point of vantage is some hill-top, and our impressions are from within the circle of the coast instead of from without. Whether our look-out be upon Gonzales Hill or upon Mount Tolmie, or, highest of all, upon Mount Douglas, we shall find the very reverse of the impression of the lands seen from the steamer. The objects are practically the same, yet with the change in the conditions under which we perceive them they take on a new aspect. This is an application, old and familiar, of the doctrine of relativity, long known in the philosophical realm but now capturing that of physics. From our hilltop we shall see, then, the long protruding arms or fingers of rock as the most characteristic feature of the coast-line, as if the land were vainly grasping at the mocking waves which wash its edge, and, in Winter, tear and gash its unresisting sides. Then, in a moment, this comparison gives way to another, and we see the land invaded by an encasing foe, the fruit of whose rapine are these ribs of dark rock and the curved flanks of the hollow bay. The change from one impression to the other is like that experienced in looking at one of those square tile patterns which are so shaped as to appear, first as hollow shapes, and then as four-sided pyramids. But while in the case of our tile pattern neither impression is true, both our impressions of the shoreline view are in their place and measure correct. The land is as it were clutching itself out of the power of "The cruel, crawling foam."

A COASTAL PANORAMA

Since none of our hills is so situated that all the coastline may well be seen from it, let us devise a point of view which will combine something of the view from all. An aeroplane will suffice us for our purpose if we may have it circling with sufficient slowness to permit of the successive features of the shore being well

seen. We notice, first of all, the presence of a comparatively low and level tract of land which, wherever it has recently met the waves, is marked by bare walls of sand and clay. It is particularly conspicuous in the Oak Bay, Ross Bay and Esquimalt sections, but in all the numerous bays it forms the background or landward limit of the opening. At one time, we must suppose, things to ourselves, these now verdant house-covered tracts extended far out to sea and they have been cut back to their present condition from an earlier, much greater, extension. Earlier, still, they lay below the surface of the water which then covered almost the whole of the country east of the Sooke Hills and Saanich Arm. Of this fact proof positive exists in the presence of unmistakable marine fossils in the clays and sands of which the soil is composed. In the brickworks of Maywood, along the deep cuttings of the Esquimalt Road where it rises from the Johnson Street Bridge, in the flats adjacent

WHERE THE BRITISH FAIL

They fall down on little things like that every time! As to giving a reasonable estimate of the tonnage coming up the Thames every hour, or the number of people in Middlesex with one leg, they simply couldn't do it.

How different it is with us. Ask any man from any little town in this country what is the population of the place and he answers at once, "Eleven thousand, six hundred and eighty-one at the last census"; or, more likely, he gives it to you with specific details, such as, "It is estimated that five thousand, two hundred and sixteen people ate their Christmas dinner in this town last Christmas."

Similarly, when we arrive in another town, the first thing we ask one another is, "What is the population? A man gets off a train tired and breathless and covered with the dust of travel and collapses into a taxi cab with the words, 'What is the population of this town?'"

The THING TO KNOW ABOUT

For a like reason when we go abroad we always ask first about the population of each place. On the deck of any steamer on the Rhine

to the Pemberton Woods, in the low cliffs of Shoal Bay, and in many other places exposed either along the sea-front or in the trenches dug by man, the evidence for the comparatively recent elevation of our district from a situation below the level of the sea, occupied by it since the early days of the ice age, may be seen at any time. The soft and incoherent nature of these marine deposits which now form the covering of the bedrock would inevitably have led to the destruction of a much greater amount of our soil had it not been that between them and the ravages of the sea there was interposed a series of barriers, the rocky headlands and capes of our present coastline. How great the protection rendered by them has been may be seen if, the next time you are walking along the Dallas Road in the vicinity of the Park, you descend by one of the winding footpaths to some rocky point, and there mark how the projection of the rock has stopped at a short distance from its outer edge, the inroads of the sea upon the unresisting glacial deposits above. Still more it has sheltered the shore and deflected the currents which sweep along coastwise, so that lagoons, that is, bays closed by sand-bars, are only possible where there is a long stretch of comparatively loose material and strong currents sweeping parallel to the shore. Before the land surface had arisen sufficiently to permit of the headlands becoming the buttresses of the coast, the rate of shore-erosion must have been very rapid, and we must picture a scene in which we see the land surface sloping gently seawards, but increasingly fretted along its edge by the waves, until at length that edge became a low sea-cliff.

WHERE NEVER MAN WALKED

But we must let our minds go further back yet. When man came to these North Pacific shores is doubtful, but it must have been long subsequent to the later stages of the ice age. But these dark, igneous and volcanic rocks whose hard crystalline structure fits them to be the guardians of our coast, were in days long previous to those of increasing cold and moisture raised far above the level of the sea as portions of the dry land. Scarred and polished, scratched and grooved as they are by the ice armed with its fragments of the hills and valleys, they still bear witness to the contours horizontal and vertical of that old land which was the Vancouver Island of Tertiary times. These deep, inland-running arms and bays were valleys cut by Nature's eternal forces in the integument of Mother Earth. Whatever there was of rich alluvium in their level bottom-lands, whatever there was of rich metalliferous deposit in the long accumula-

A STORY WITHOUT WORDS



Reprint of Famous Canadian Travel-Book

In 1872 George Munro Grant Joined Sandford Fleming Expedition and Wrote Up His Experiences in "Ocean to Ocean," a Narrative Full of Picturesque Description.

By PROF. W. T. ALLISON

"A steam-engine in trousers." This is the striking phrase which a Halifax friend once applied to Principal Grant, the virile Canadian who lifted Queen's University into greatness and who stamped his powerful personality upon our national life half a century ago. Each succeeding generation of Queen's students listens reverentially to the stories that have been handed down from the days of the amazing energy and intellectual ruggedness of "Geordie," their patron saint. If you would live on from age to age, tie yourself up to a great institution; build your life into it; endow it with your own immortality of influence. Such was the advice of one of the old time to a young scholar. And wise advice it was, none wiser; for the individualist withers, but a noble institution such as a college or university grows from more to more, perpetually renewing itself, and defies the tooth of time.

RECORD OF A TRIP IN 1872

George Munro Grant, born in Pictou County, Nova Scotia, in 1835, was a Presbyterian minister in Halifax from 1862 to 1877 when he became head of Queen's which he was destined to serve with tireless devotion until his death in 1902. In those twenty-five years he transformed it from a small denominational college into the third largest university in the Dominion. Before he left the active work of the ministry, however, Dr. Grant did a splendid service to his country by championing the cause of the federation of the provinces of Canada and the Radisson Society of Toronto including it in its new series "Master Works of Canadian Authors," edited by J. W. Garvin of Toronto. A pleasing feature of this beautifully bound reprint is an introduction written by the author's only son, William L. Grant, LL.D., Principal of St. Andrew's College, Toronto. Ten pen and ink reproductions of the original illustrations have been supplied by Miss Dorothy Stevens.

NOT A MISHAP IN BIG JOURNEY

As secretary of the expedition led by his life-long friend, Sandford Fleming, Grant kept a diary that was written under difficulties. Sometimes he posted it in the bottom of a canoe, sometimes while leaning against the trunk of a tree, on horseback or in a cart, in his tent by the light of a camp fire in front or on the deck of a paddle-steamer. Altogether he wrote nearly 400 pages, and, considering the difficult circumstances in which his narrative was produced, it has an astonishing smoothness of style. He commenced his diary at Halifax on July 1, 1872 and closed it at Victoria on October 1. The aggregate distance travelled between those dates was more than 5,000 miles. He returned by way of San Francisco and American railroads reaching home on November 2, having accomplished the round trip in four months. The westward trip was over comparatively unknown country, but he states that not one of the party suffered from Indians, wild beasts, the weather, or any of the hardships incidental to travel in a new and lone land. Every one was physically better on his return when he had set out, and the party made better time between Lake Superior and the Pacific than ever had been made before. "Looking back over the vast breadth of the Dominion, when our journeys were ended, it rolled out before us like a panorama, varied, and magnificent enough to stir the dullest spirit into patriotic emotion. For nearly 1,000 miles by railway between different points east of Lake Huron; 2,158 miles by horses, including coaches, waggons, pack and saddle-horses; 1,687 miles in steamers in the basin of the St. Lawrence and on Pacific waters, and 485 miles in canoes or row-boats; we had travelled in all 5,300 miles between Halifax and Victoria, over a country with features and resources more varied than even our modes of locomotion."

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MEET EUROPE'S RICHEST MAN AND UNSEEN RULER

Sir Basil Zaharoff, Man of Mystery, Makes War and Peace, and Amasses a Huge Fortune; Only One Woman Ever Able to Charm Him; He Owns Monte Carlo, But Never Gambles

Although comparatively unknown in this country, Sir Basil Zaharoff is the richest man in Europe, and the continent's greatest munitions maker. In view of the recent international disputes in Europe, and reports that eight nations have placed greatly increased orders for munitions, these stories are very timely.

By MILTON BRONNER

LONDON, April 17.—Through the confused welter of hidden influences, conflicting purposes and unseen powers that are laboriously shaping the destinies of Europe, a lone, mysterious figure is beginning to be revealed as an uncrowned king of international finance and world politics.

The figure is that of Sir Basil Zaharoff, the man whom nobody knows.

Zaharoff is a portent rather than a personality. He is called the richest man in the world, and while it is doubtful that his wealth exceeds Rockefeller's or Ford's, it is certain that his power in world affairs is greater than either of these men ever dreamed of.

He is one of the greatest of those men who are coming more and more to the leadership of the nations—the international bankers.

He is one of the world's leading munitions makers.

He is chief owner of Monte Carlo, world's greatest gambling resort.

His oil interests have led him to fight both the powerful Standard Oil and Dutch Shell groups.

He has spent millions to make wars and millions more to make peace.

VERY FEW FRIENDS

But no one knows very much about him, and there are hardly half a dozen men in Europe who can call themselves his intimates.

The little that is known of his life is as romantic as a novel.

He was born in 1850 of a Greek mother and a Russian father somewhere in the Near East—either in Constantinople or nearby. His boyhood was spent in extreme poverty in the heterogeneous, cluttered-up streets and by-ways about the Golden Horn, where life is hard and only the nimble-witted survive.

Any man growing up in that city becomes an accomplished



Sir Basil Zaharoff

linguist before he is a dozen years old. One has to. Every year under the sun is represented there. So Zaharoff became master of many languages—and this started him on his great rise.

Some forty years ago Britain's great steel and munitions firm, Vickers, sent a representative to Athens, whither Zaharoff had drifted. The representative needed an interpreter. Zaharoff got the job. He filled it so ably that when the Britisher returned to London he brought Zaharoff back with him.

While crossing the continent Zaharoff became acquainted with a young Spanish girl who had been forced by custom to marry a titled countryman she did not love. The two fell violently in love, and while they had to part almost as soon as

they met, the Spanish noblewoman urged Zaharoff to call on her if he ever was in Spain and she would help him.

Zaharoff was to put this promise to good use. He had been in London only a short time when he amazed the directors of Vickers by offering to place orders worth a million pounds in Spain, provided he be taken into partnership for doing it. Vickers had never been able to sell a shilling's worth of material in Spain, so Zaharoff's proposal was accepted—probably on the theory that the young upstart would fail anyhow.

But he didn't fail. The Spanish noblewoman was as good as her word. She put him in touch with the right people. He sold his million pounds' worth of munitions. He was "made."

Whist Club, drafted the revised code. Approval of the Whist League has been given.

The revisions are the first since 1920. Edicts of the club are observed in several countries, including Canada, as well as in the United States.

Adoption of the new scheme of honor values is the most radical of the rules changes. Scoring is simplified and the importance of bids in the minor suits is enhanced by the change. Honor values in No Trump bids are not altered.

Honor values revised, so that honors are scored uniformly for all suits instead of varying in accordance with trick values. Bidding in minor suits stimulated.

High instead of low wins the deal and decides partnerships in the draw.

New penalties imposed for the revoke.

Other changes regulate the correction of insufficient bids and leads out of turn.

SPADES HIGHEST

Five wealthy business men comprising the card committee of The

Zaharoff went on up rapidly. He enlarged his interest in Vickers until he became one of its chief owners. He acquired shares in British and French banks. He even held a large interest in the famous German armament firm—Krupps.

SOLD TO BOTH SIDES

During the Balkan war he made hay with a vengeance, selling munitions to both sides and reinvesting his profits where they would do the most good. At the same time he remembered that his mother had been a Greek—and Greece got \$2,500,000 a year from him throughout the war.

When the World War came he was, perchance, on the side of the allies. Whether he was moved by sentiment or by a keen business instinct seems a moot question, but at all events he became one of the strongest forces for victory in the whole allied camp. He pulled wires, advanced money, intrigued and schemed to help defeat Germany—and all the while he sold munitions and his banks loaned money to the fighting nations.

The close of the war found him in Paris, where in some manner he came under the spell of Venizelos, then premier of Greece. Venizelos "sold" Zaharoff on his dream of a great, powerful Greece—and Zaharoff spent a million or so to further Venizelos' influence in Athens, adding more millions to help the Greeks in their abortive to wrest part of Asia Minor from the Turk.

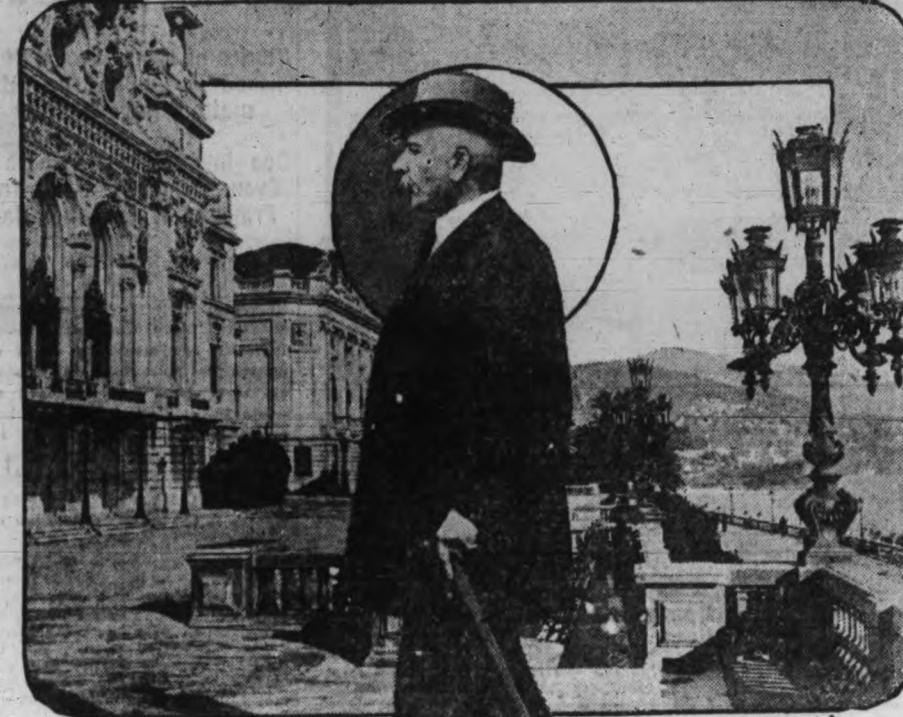
For his war work he received decorations from the British Government—decorations that led a member of the House of Commons to charge publicly that Zaharoff was the man who shaped Lloyd George's foreign policies.

And while these things were going on he found the Monte Carlo project in difficulties, loaned it a few millions with a block of stock for security—and froze onto the stock. He never gambles himself, however.

But with all of this activity no one knows very much about him. One of the few things that is known is that he has had one romance, and that it is like a story out of a best seller.

WON HAPPINESS BY PATIENCE

Sir Basil Zaharoff, power behind the throne of many a European government, and one of



Front of the Casino at Monte Carlo, where Sir Basil Zaharoff (inset) took his bride after their long-deferred romance reached its flower.

the world's richest men, is seventy-six years old. In all of his seventy-six years only one woman has been able to charm him.

Two women, counting his mother, now long dead. Because of her memory he helped dethrone a king and aided in bringing about a war.

But only one woman in the ordinary, romantic sense.

Europe's richest man waited forty years for his romance to flower. And then it was short-lived—not quite four years in duration.

His wife, the former Spanish noblewoman, Maria del Pilar, died a short time ago. She was the only woman who ever so much as caused the great Zaharoff to turn his head.

She told him that she must return to Spain and her husband. Each promised never to forget. Then he went on to England.

It has already been told how the young Spanish noblewoman enabled Zaharoff to get in touch with influential Spaniards and so sell them the first consignment of armaments that the great British firm of Vickers had ever sold in that country—

and made his rise to power possible.

ENDURING FLAMES

She was young and Zaharoff was young. Her marriage had been arranged by her parents, and while she was not exactly an unhappy wife, her heart had never been touched—until she met Zaharoff. He aroused a flame in it as she aroused one in his; flames that burned for nearly half a century.

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It was more than forty years ago that Zaharoff came out of the Near East to England, where he was to build up a fortune larger than any other in the world, with the possible exception of Rockfeller's and Ford's.

And it was Maria del Pilar, married at seventeen to Prince Francis de Bourbon, who met him as he crossed Europe

a feat that brought him into the firm and made him rich.

But it has not been told how Zaharoff treasured her remembrance so that no other woman could attract him; how he waited for forty long years.

The Prince Francis became insane and confined in an asylum.

Only four years ago, Zaharoff learned that the prince had died. He thereupon went to Spain, wooed the lady of his choice all over again and finally made her his wife. The two enjoyed their reunion until Lady Zaharoff died a few weeks ago.

Zaharoff took her to Monte Carlo, of which he is the chief owner. He took her to his magnificent mansion near Paris, where meals are served on solid gold dishes and the table silver is inlaid with precious stones.

He took her with him on his periodical visits to London, where he would take an entire floor of one of the most aristocratic hotels.

Zaharoff's hatred of publicity was evidenced at the time of his wedding, when he might almost be said to have been married surreptitiously, and also when his wife died—he did not allow news of her death to leak out until the day of the funeral.

This shunning of the limelight

has always characterized him. He has never given an interview, never made a speech, never been quoted in print.

Zaharoff's mother died before he rose to wealth, and he has always regretted that he could never surround her with the luxury he now commands. On his desk there is always a small miniature painting of her, and in his drawer there is a small fan and a little card case she carried.

It was his mother's memory that made him such a champion of the Greek nationalists for the past fifteen years. During the Balkan war he gave the Greek Government fully \$2,500,000 a year. He spent a fortune helping Venizelos ascend to power and dethroning King Constantine. After the World War, when Greece attacked Turkey, he induced Lloyd George—so it is said—to tell Britain in a hands-off policy. Then, when the crash came, he contributed a million or so to relief funds for the stricken Greeks.

He has always been liberal with his money. He has never been in an airplane; but he has endowed chairs of aviation, in the Universities of Paris, Petrograd and Oxford. He once gave half a million francs, on the spur of the moment, to rehabilitate the Paris zoological gardens.

His eccentricities are interesting. He will not ride in an automobile, traveling around Paris instead in a coach drawn by three horses. He abhors typewriters and has his secretaries write his letters in long hand, while he signs his name in a different colored ink.

He never buys art treasures, as most millionaires do. When stopping at an exclusive hotel, it is often his hobby to go to the kitchen and stand before the stove cooking a dish that he himself invented—some sort of compound of bananas and cream. He is a moderate eater, but has a cellar stocked with rare brandies and wines.

And that is about all that is known about him. Dimly seen and mysterious he pursues his strange course without the glare of trumpets or the light of publicity, laying hands on a bank here, a steel mill there and an oil field in still another place, moving serenely and surely along the tortuous pathways of those who shape the destinies of nations.

had a horse so absolutely sure of finishing last as I've fixed this baby," he stated.

"There is nothing wrong with racing as a whole," asserted Col. Lauder Noyse, proprietor of the Thin Dime track, to-day. "Every once in a while one of our races is run on the square. But do we squawk? No. We simply clench our fists and make the best of it."

Testimony in the newest gee-gee scandal shows the jockeys made a



practice of riding one horse and betting against it winning. . . . And yet we have heard it said there is no such thing as a cinch bet at the track.

They call it the sport of kings, and for our part the kings can have it.



at Tia Juana to-day. Stirrup has just presented a red cent from anybody in all his years on the turf. Stirrup says he does not like red.

Owner Gatsack has entered Leadhoof in the Derby this year and is hoping he will finish in the seventh. "I don't see how he can," Gatsack said to-day, "for I have the six other jockeys on my payroll."

Trainer Lameshank says he has the favorite all ready for the feature race at Oriental park to-day. "I never

see a horse that instantly stops the fiery pain and biting itch."

It walks out in a marvelously short time the animal, which is disengaged, scales, weeping sores, poisonous rashes, ugly eruptions, pimples and skin blisters—yield to a single bottle.

The first cool touch instantly relieves you or your money back. Try D. D. D., Dr. Bowes & Co., druggists; MacFarlane Drug Co.

BRIDGE CZARS ANNOUNCE NEW RULES FOR SCORING



In business life, Bryant McCampbell is a textile manufacturer. At play, he is a bridge expert. He headed the committee of the Whist Club of New York that drafted the new code of auction bridge rules.

for BURNS
FOR SCALDS, CUTS AND BRUISES.
FOR COLDS, COUGHS AND BRONCHITIS.
FOR NEURITIS, FOR NEURASTHENIA,
MUSCLES, SPRAINS AND STRAINS
COMMON TO MAN AND BEAST, THERE
IS NOTHING SUPERIOR TO THAT OLD
TRIED AND RELIABLE REMEDY,
D. THOMAS'
ELECTRIC OIL

KING OF THE NORTH WOODS BROUGHT DOWN



This monster bull moose, one of the largest ever shot in western Canada, was killed at Prairie River, northern Saskatchewan, by Austin Blain, Saskatoon sportsman. It weighed over a ton, and the "spread" of its horns was more than four feet.

"The Sport of Kings"

The surprising thing is not that those four jockeys confessed to throwing races but that anybody should get excited about it.

Anyone who imagines the bugliness of horse-racing is conducted on a saintly and righteous basis is

either goofy in the garret or torpid in the turnip.

The entire structure of this racket is built on the premise that a "sap" never gets over being a "sap" and a dupe thrives on perpetual punishment.

You can't win the horses without a "programme" . . . And, you can't tell the jockeys without the grand jury evidence.

It seems the boys were sugared to the extent of \$1,000 to "fill the favorites."

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Week-end Cables and Special Dispatches From Across the Atlantic

BRITISH CRIME LESS THAN IN PRE-WAR DAYS

Decrease Shown in Deeds of Violence But Only Ten Hanged in a Year

Dishonesty, Fraud and Larceny Have Increased Under Post-war Conditions

London, April 17.—Complete crime statistics for England and Wales during 1924 were made public this week, indicating that England maintains its reputation of being among the most law-abiding countries of the world, but suffering, at the same time, from an increase in petty legislation and difficulty in keeping police protection abreast of new police duties and the criminal problems attendant on economic depression.

In 1924 there were 150 murders, precisely the same as in 1923, and showing slight change over the level maintained during the last fifty years. When the population increase is considered, this means a steady reduction in crime, the rate of murder now working out to 3.9 for each million of population. This figure, owing to differences of classification, is not directly comparable with American statistics, but the report gives a total of 274 homicides in all classes for a population of 39,000,000 as against 7,788 for the United States, since 1922, in a registration area having a population of 93,000,000.

COURSE OF JUSTICE

Contrary to common opinion, the British record is not entirely due to sureness of detection and punishment. The fact is, that during 1924 only fourteen persons were sentenced to death, and of these only ten were actually executed. Despite a yearly average of 190 murders during the last seventeen years, there were only 412 convictions for murder.

It has been pointed out, however, that the requirement of the British law, for strong proof in murder cases, results in an unusually large proportion of acquittals from this charge. The fact that there were acquittals, therefore, does not always mean that the perpetrator of the crime was not apprehended.

Crime generally appears to be on the decline since pre-war days. This is shown by the fact that persons tried for offenses after indictment during 1924 numbered 57,334, as compared with 62,269 during 1913, the last pre-war year. On the other hand, the total of all indictable crimes known to police exceeds 112,600, the highest ever recorded, and while this in part was due to a change of classification and an increase in population, nevertheless, it shows there has been some actual increase.

Crimes of violence, as well as minor assaults, show a marked falling off. The larger figure principally results from an increase in crime of dishonesty, such as fraud and larceny. Since the number of persons tried does not show an increase, some lessening in police efficiency is indicated. This is probably due to extra police duties which the police are now required to assume.

CRIMINALS AT LIBERTY

The Home Office, in an explanatory note, suggests that the present tendency toward lessening the severity of sentences may result in a larger number of experienced criminals being at liberty, at one time, thus accounting for the rising number of crimes of dishonesty. It also suggests that the effects of post-war depression and the efforts to keep up to war standards of living may be responsible, although in this connection it is interesting to observe that the decrease in crimes of violence does not indicate the effect of war training, which many have feared. The total crimes of violence number 1,259 for 1924, almost on a par with the 1,259 for 1923, and a decrease as compared with the pre-war average of 2,042.

HIGH PRICE CUTS DRUNKENNESS

An interesting commentary on the drink evil is found in a study of the reduction in number of those tried for drunkenness. In 1913 this total amounted to 200,000. The annual average, for a five-year period following the war, was reduced to about 81,500, although for 1924 the number was 84,000. This is attributed to the high price of liquor, the rigid closing hours and the decrease in strength of the liquor sold.

Non-indictable offenses, among which is classed drunkenness, showed a remarkable decrease, falling from \$80,000 to \$80,000, as compared with the record of 1913. These would have fallen much more save for the great increase in motor vehicle violations. The automobile here has the same effect as elsewhere, not only increasing the number of offenses, but also absorbing the attention of police and so allowing greater freedom for other types of criminal activity.

PETTY LEGISLATION IRRITATES

The situation here, however, is vastly superior to that in the United States that it is amusing to see the British newspapers criticize the authorities on the same ground as they are criticized in North America. The morning paper, *Evening Standard*, attack in its news page against the "petty irritating legislation" which increases the number of punishable offenses and diverts police attention from crime. It demands also a

CHAMPION AT STARVING



Herr Jolly, Berlin's "hunger artist," has won \$20,000 by existing for forty-four days on 5,000 cigarettes and 400 bottles of seltzer water—nothing else.

Over 500 girls proposed, thinking he'd be easy to cook for.

WINS! AT 100 TO 1!



"The King of Clubs" beat "Zionist," the favorite, by a head in the Lincolnshire handicap, England, with Pat Donoghue, son of the famous Steve Donoghue, up. Steve also rode in the race and came in last. The winner paid 100 to 1.

PRINCE MAY TAKE TO YACHT RACING; CUTS DOWN HIS CIGARETTE SMOKING; "THE TWO OF US" HIS FAVORITE MUSIC

Reuter's Special to The Victoria Times

London, April 17.—The hopes being expressed that the Prince of Wales may join very soon the fraternity of active yachtsmen recall the fact that his grandfather owned his first yacht at an earlier age.

King Edward was twenty-five when he bought the Dagmar, not a very imposing cutter of thirty-seven tons. On the other hand, King Edward's active career as owner of a racing yacht did not begin until he was thirty-five, for he bought the schooner yacht Hildegard in 1876, and had not long to wait for success, carrying

every cottage door to cheer the Prince.

The meet was at the Griffin Hotel, a rambling old coaching inn, and it was not far from the Griffin, in taking a gate in the boundary fence of some meadows, that the Prince provided the memento. His horse just "tipped" the gate and knocked off a piece of the top bar. When the wife of the owner of the land ran to pick up the piece she found that the horse had neatly placed the print of his hoof in the centre of it.

Almost before the riders were across the field a local dealer in antiques had heard of the find and was laying a train of negotiations for its purchase. By knighting Blank, I've made his wife a lady," was the answer. Another good story dates from the Diamond Jubilee Year of Queen Victoria. That was a great event in the history of the Royal family, and the then Prince of Wales, having to depose for his aged mother on most occasions, was overworked. It was nothing unusual for him to attend three religious or semi-religious ceremonies in one day, and was following upon a series of these that he gave currency to a witicism which is still remembered.

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Stories of King Edward Published in England by Intimate of Royal Society

One Interesting Anecdote Even Concerns Present Prince of Wales When Boy

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The first chapter is an intimate narrative of King Edward when Prince of Wales. The author knew in the late King "two very distinct personalities. There was the official man, the Heir-Apparent, not un-German, somewhat stiff and even starchy, one very likely all the more starched and stiff because he felt how hard it was to keep the real personality, the jolly English gentleman, from piercing through the official Teutonic covering, and chuckling at you and with you."

ANECDOCE OF PRINCE

The author tells a story—though he does not vouch for its truth—of King Edward saying to his grandson, the present Prince of Wales, when he was a little child: "You must be a good boy, David, for you're not, when you become King, they'll cut off your head as they did to King Charles."

To which the child replied: "Oh, I don't care, I shall never be King." A new explanation is offered of the late Queen Victoria's reluctance to admit King Edward when Prince of Wales to State secrets. His Majesty, in his younger days, was, according to the author, one of the most indiscreet gossipers in the Empire, and to have allowed him to have any special and intimate knowledge of any matter of State of the least importance or delicacy would have been an act of sheer folly."

STORY OF BURIED TREASURE

The book is full of good and suggestive stories. One of them which declares that a great part of the famous Crown Jewels of France lie somewhere in Pall Mall where Madame du Barry lodged, may send the curious digging in underground cellars.

Another claims that "East Lynne," a famous story by Mrs. Henry Wood, was written on the romance in real life of Lady Augusta Fane, who ran away with Sir Arthur Paget from her husband, Lord Morley, and afterwards returned as a nurse when her child was dying, her broken-hearted husband recognizing her, but never letting her know that he had done so.

A SUPERHUMAN DEED

King Edward was essentially a man of the world, good-natured and tolerant, but quick to resent either impertinence or hyperactivity. It is related of him that one night after a particularly heavy official day at Buckingham Palace, he remarked to a friend: "I've done something to-day which God couldn't have done."

"What was that, sir?" said his host in amazement.

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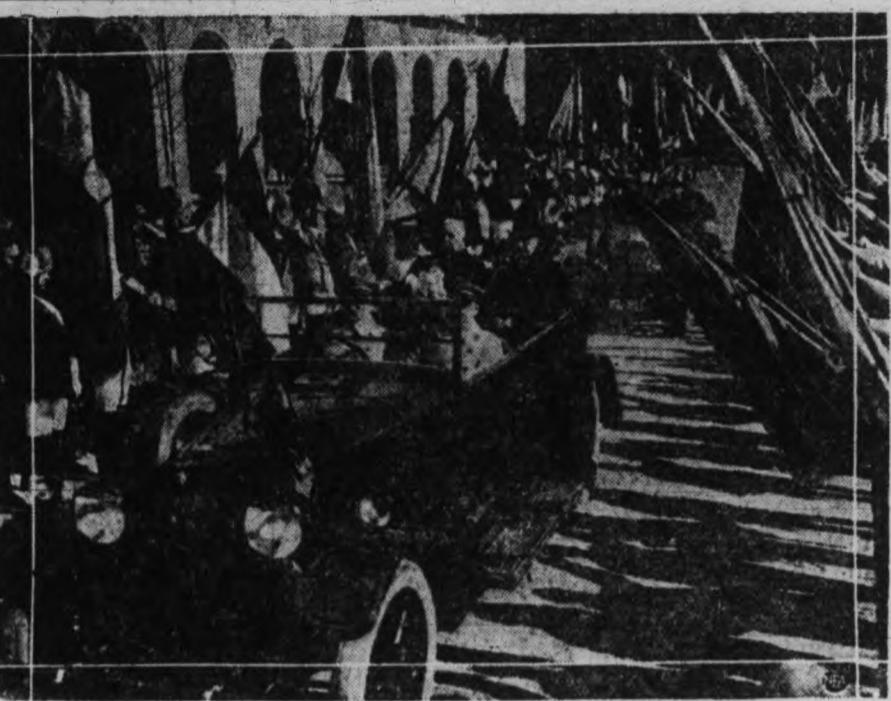
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MILITARY WELCOME FOR HINDENBURG



The Cologne student corps lined up in full uniform under unfurled flags of the German republic when President Hindenburg, former war lord, passed through the city. Hindenburg is seated, uncovered, beside Oberburgermeister Adenauer of Cologne.

CAMBRIDGE WINS ENGLAND'S BOAT CLASSIC



A vast crowd that lined the Thames from Putney to Mortlake, England, saw Cambridge win its annual boat race from Oxford by the unexpected margin of five lengths. Photo shows finish with Cambridge on right. Time 19 minutes, 29 seconds. NEA

WINNING ENGLAND'S STEEPLECHASE



"Jack Horner," owned by C. Schwartz, is shown winning the Grand National Steeplechase at Aintree, Liverpool. "Jack Horner" paid 25 to 1. He once sold for \$350, and was purchased by Mr. Schwartz for \$20,000.

Scott Moncrieff Translates "Si Gara"

London, April 17.—Pirandello's

washerwomen were among the invited guests at the recent wedding of Lady Sheila Scott, daughter of the Countess of Clonmell, to Major Mansell Jackson.

The Countess of Clonmell owns a hand laundry in Oxford Street, and, as she and her daughter are well acquainted with all the women employees, front seats were reserved for these in the gallery of St. Mark's Church, North Audley Street, where the fashionable wedding took place.

"I see you got the medal for it, at any rate," said the King with the politeness of studied gravity.

"Oh, that," she exclaimed, "that belongs to my father."

The King turned to speak to an acquaintance, and less than a minute later glanced towards the girl, and the shadow of a smile flitted across his face when he saw that the "officer" had been removed.

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Queen Victoria had no reputation as a humorist. But she had a very human wit, and, like her eldest son, she sometimes used it as a corrective. One of the best stories ever told of the Royal family concerns Queen Victoria and her eldest daughter.

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DEPARTMENT STORES CAPTURING MORE BRITISH BUSINESS

Selfridge's Building Again to Complete Imposing Lon-don Block

Big Shops Pay Large Divid

RING LARDNER LIMNS THE TYPES OF TO-DAY

THERE now seems every reason to believe that Ring Lardner has grown from slang classicist to outstanding teller of short tales of certain types.

Those who peered below the slang surface of the "Al" baseball yarns saw a capacity for devastation that was likely to outgrow the diamond and spread to broader fields. So when, a year or so ago, there appeared a book under the deceptive title of "How to Write a Short Story," critics higbrow and low-brow doffed their hats.

And now he has done it again, in a volume of stories titled "The Love Nest." In this is one story called "Hairent" that were I a tutor of tale telling, I would force down the throats of each student. If ever you have listened to the boring garrulity of a well intentioned, but over chatty barber here it given the finest caricature one could ask for.

But there is far more in it than that, there is a shrewd picture of the innate cruelty behind the small town "practical joker" such as was Jim in this story. Yes, "Jim certainly was a card."

Some of the critics have been inclined to make Lardner the exponent of the best-type of Russian short story. There is something of the devastating quality to be found, but the smiling front with which most of the Lardner tales are told; the blustering of humor; the capacity to put a laugh into the most tragic and tawdry situation; the further capacity to penetrate but to keep the dull actors blind—these are 100 per cent. original with him.

Lardner, we should say, has become our best commentator on our "own stuff."

In marked contrast seems to us



Eugene O'Neill, whose latest plays, "The Great God Brown" and "The Fountainhead," are included in a new collection of his dramas just issued.

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The decline of Irvin Cobb, the leading humorist of yesterday, who produces a set of short stories under the title "On an Island That Cost \$25." Most of these are over-sentimental and the best have little merit.

Speaking of short stories, the most comprehensive anthology to be issued in a single volume is "Greatest Short Stories." In the 1,066 pages of which are tales from all times and all worlds. It is a most commendable job of editing by Barrett Clark and Max Lieber.

KNOWLEDGE IN NUTSHELL

Admiral Fiske Invents Reading Device Making Shoe-box Libraries, Newspapers the Size of Dollar Bills New Possibility.



Rear Admiral Bradley N. Fiske and his reading machine. His Encyclopedia Britannica of 32 volumes, shown in foreground, weighs only 32 ounces.

SHOE-box libraries—vest pocket encyclopedias—newspapers the size of a dollar bill.

Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, retired naval officer, sees them coming.

This through the combination of microscopic type and magnifying glass that is the "Fiske publishing and reading system."

Twenty-nine thirtieths of the bulk of the world's future printed matter is headed for the discard through revolutionizing of the publishing industry, he declares.

BOOKS BY THE PENNY

Complete sets of the works of famous authors may be available for a few pennies then.

Encyclopedias will appear in volumes weighing only ten ounces.

Modern printing equipment worth countless millions will go to the junk yard, and business of the spectacle manufacturers and salesmen will collapse.

Reproduction of Mark Twain's "Innocents Abroad" is typical. The 32,000 words of this book appear in a half-ounce pamphlet of fourteen pages.

The "Fiske reading machine" completes the system. Similar to a lorgnette in appearance, it magnifies

both type and illustrations are reproduced from engravings in the Fiske publications. In weight of paper these are but one-thirtieth as bulky as when ordinary print is used.

Decrease in the production cost of literature, while not yet calculated

in detail, is immense, the inventor says.

A minimum of eye strain is attained by the "reading machine." This because the eyes are protected from glare; the reading matter is held always at an exact distance from the reader; the muscles of the eye remain at rest instead of being required to converge, the glance downward and back and forth across a wide page.

Because of the focusing adjustment, eye glasses and spectacles in most cases may be dispensed with.

FOR LIBRARIES FIRST

Prompt objections to his system are anticipated by Fiske. This because it is nothing short of revolutionary.

"It will be adopted first, I think, for reference works—dictionaries, encyclopedias, law books, medical treatises and the like," he explains.

"Vaast saving to libraries in storage space suggests itself.

"Gradually, I believe, all objections will be overcome by the factors of cheapness, convenience of size, and ease of reading of the literature I propose."

"Some day, it seems probable, even newspapers will adopt it."

Four patents covering the publishing and reading system have been obtained by Admiral Fiske.

Plans for utilization of it have not been completed, he said.

ENGINEERS CONQUER THE FRASER CANYON

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tal emerges from a giant perpendicular cliff the road bends inward, sheltered above a great rock-slide falling to the silvery river some 600 feet below, and the view is an awe-inspiring one. At the farther side of the bend the highway passes through a smaller tunnel, seventy feet long, and then gracefully winds with an easy grade around China Bar Bluff.

In the stretch out from Yale to where the Fraser winds round Sailor's Bar, with its great saddle rock, a stretch in which location was confined to a narrow area, it was necessary to build between the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Fraser, so that the grade is not far above the swift-flowing stream and close beside it. In one or two places it was necessary to wall or trestle it around the railway tunnels and it crosses overhead at the portal of one of the tunnels.

SCENERY VARIED

Scenery is an inadequate word to describe the beauties of the vistas seen from the highway. As a scenic driveway few roads will compare with it. A remarkable feature is the variation in the nature of the scenery. On many noted routes the unchanging similarity of the aspect palls upon the traveler despite its beauty, but the Fraser Canyon Road offers such wondrous changes of scenic grandeur that they will never cloy the traveler.

Travelers by train through the Fraser Canyon have been loud in their praise of its scenery. They have not seen, a tenth of that which is opened to view from the road, high above the railway grade, in places 600 feet above the river. The Fraser is seen winding like an uneven band of burnished silver, framed in rugged canyon flanks and gorges, with forests and mountains towering above them, tops of which are seen rising one beyond the other in majestic grandeur, some with snowy tops, others green, and here and there creeks winding down and silvery waterfalls are seen. The verdure, too, is refreshingly green, for though temperature is high in Summer there is enough moisture to prevent a burnt-up appearance until, at Cisco, the

rain ceases, and the still cloudy sky seems full of a sudden intermission of sunlight. Apollo himself hides, but his powerful presence everywhere. Sasquatch is a picture in tender greens of maple and alder with great masses of wild cherry bloom.

Leaving the car we follow Deman-

iel Creek, after crossing by a precarious row of stepping-stones, and find ourselves under a great maple whose twisted trunks rising high overhead are carpeted with lacy moss and ferns like natural "hanging gardens."

At our feet are pink stars of purple, dainty anemones of palest purple, yellow violets with shining leaves, purplish pink racemes of bleeding-heart. At the crook of the stream we see the tertiary sandstones and conglomerates beneath the later deposits. They bear thin lignite veins which tell of that vastly older plant-life which grew by these shores when their beds were in the making. Returning we build a little fire on the shingle and soon the "billy" bubbles and boils, and tea is made. Innumerable troutlets gambol in the shallow creek, and when a morsel of hard-boiled yolk is thrown to them they are like boys at a bean-feast. The pebbles and small boulders at our feet are largely the tribute paid to the glacier by the neighboring hills, as may be seen by the preponderance of gray gabro and darker basalt. But mingled with these younger brethren are pieces of schist from the East Coast hills and from the Leech River and Goldstream highlands. After lunch we take the road paralleling the Sooke River on the west, and slowly ascend the wooded valley-side. Everywhere are logging roads and the marks of axe and saw. Suddenly we come in view of the northern hills flanking the river, especially on the southward slope. Here we find a few plants succeed in securing a foothold, their persistence depending on the searching quality of their roots as they go after moisture, or on their ability otherwise to resist drought. We strike up a steep hillside, and then through a thicket of salmon-berries we make our way towards the river. At last we emerge from our tribulations at a considerably heightened temperature and find ourselves

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She refused to sail unless a couple of her pet dogs could occupy her stateroom.

New York society has fairly bid for the opportunity of seeing her opening performance. Through Otto Kahn, and other social and theatrical mentors, a very private "pre-view" was arranged. For this twenty-five dollars a seat was a cheap price.

Speculators are getting up to two hundred dollars for the "exclusive" first night. The box office figure is twenty-five dollars a seat and the list of ticket holders reads like the combined "Blue Book" and "Who's Who."

In Paris a year ago one might have heard her for sixty cents.

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A PAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

THE LITTLE BROWN HEN AND HER STRUGGLES TO BRING UP HER BROOD

Gorgeous Feathers and Lordly Airs Are Not Always Indications of Importance

Madame Hen Pheasant was annoyed. She had been made, against her better judgment, to build a nest within a few yards of a public highway, and from the moment the eggs had been laid, had known no peace. Her mate, the lordly cock pheasant, had picked out the location for the nest and, without listening to her objections that it was much too near the road, had decided to build there.

Now, not a day went past but a thousand and one shocks to the nerves were sustained by Madame Hen Pheasant. Even before daylight great roaring automobiles passed the scene, with a flare of lights and the noise of much laughing and shouting from within.

Later came milk carts, with always one or more dogs; dogs that would crawl through the fence bars and go sniffing around almost right under one's nose.

Now that she looked back upon it, Madame Hen Pheasant remembered that this was the place where her lord had acted so queerly one day when they stopped to pick at crumbs left by a strolling tramp, who had stopped there for his lunch.

The Cook Pheasant had drained the contents of a tin cup with some dark colored liquid in the bottom, and had at once become most peculiar. He had uttered the most foolish cackles and had waltzed around with an absurd effort of trying to appear lordly and graceful while he could barely keep balanced on his feet. His consort had not been able to find out just what was in the cup, but it was something very powerful, and ever after that her lord had expressed a fondness for the place, quite out of all reason.

Usually good tempered Madame Hen Pheasant grew crosser and crosser as her nerves were jarred by the ceaseless fear that her nest would be discovered, and her family broken up. This fear was not lessened when the lordly cock pheasant had to retire in haste on three mornings in succession, before the timid advances of the milkman's dog. True, in running her lord had distracted attention from the nest, but it was only a question of time until the end would come, she thought.

Things were in this pass when Mr. Cook Pheasant came flying back from the fields where he had been gorging himself. With an air of great excitement her lordly mate commanded her to leave the nest to him, and to fly to the gully below to look at what was taking place there. Not waiting a second word, for she was indeed hungry and it was in her mind to eat, she flew leisurely after she had flown to the gully, Madame Hen Pheasant did as she was bid.

Surrounded by young fir trees and covered to a depth of six feet by underbrush the gully was a depression, without making out anything unusual or worthy of mention. On the third circuit she saw something moving in the underbrush, and watched for a while. Covertly a man was setting up chicken wire in the form of a coop.

Madame Hen Pheasant watched from under the cover of some bracken. The man nailed on the wire, and went to some pains to leave an opening at one end of the coop. Then he took a paper bag from his bundles and began scattering corn in the coop and nearby. There were those who knew of the bravery and patience with which she had watched over her charges in the nest near the public highway.

DOES IT HURT? YES, BUT—



It's hard luck, of course, to fall and skin your knee right in the midst of an egg rolling contest. But when there's a nice doctor man at the first aid station to repair the damage—well, then it doesn't hurt so bad. So little Miss Susie Leary probably is thinking.

BEDTIME STORY *Uncle Wiggily and the Spinning Wheel*

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By HOWARD R. GARIS

"Where is my old fishing pole, if you please?" asked Uncle Wiggily of his wife one day as he hopped about the hollow stump bungalow.

"Your what?" asked the rabbi-lady, who was washing the ears of Jingle, one of the little bunny girls. And, having a rag and a bit of soap in Jingle's ear, Mrs. Uncle Wiggily thought she, herself, was a little hard of hearing. "Your what?" she asked again.

"Not my what, my dear; my fishing pole!" said Uncle Wiggily. "Do you know where it is? The fishing season is with us now and when I go adventuring I can take a pole, line and hook with me and bring home some fish to dinner."

"The last time I saw your pole," spoke Mrs. Longears, "was up in the attic. Nurse Jane took it to tie a dusting rag on the end to clean up over the high pictures and when she finished she carried the pole to the attic."

"Oh, my, good-night!" cried Uncle Wiggily, tilling hard at his ears. "My

4-17 Uncle Wiggily was hopping up the attic stairs.

fish pole used for a dusting brush and then stuck up in the attic with the odds and ends! I s'pose it's broken!" This is worse than the time told you so," but she was far too practical to waste time with that. Instead she walked around the coop once or twice and then stood still to think it all out. An idea came to her and with angry chucks she called on her mate to dig in the soil at the side of the coop. Madame Hen Pheasant scratched busily, and to such purpose that very soon there was a hole under the wife wall that held her lord a prisoner.

"Oh, I don't believe you need to worry!" said his wife with a laugh. "Though there are a lot of old things in the attic, I think Nurse Jane put your pole carefully away."

But Uncle Wiggily was already

Jack Daw's Adventures

Story by Hal Cochran

THE BIBLE IN PICTURES AND TEXT By HELEN E. OHRENSCHALL



THE RED SEA

WHEN Pharaoh heard that the children of Israel had fled his heart was hardened, and Pharaoh pursued and overtaken them encamping by the sea. When the Israelites saw Pharaoh they were afraid and cried unto the Lord. They said it would be better to serve the Egyptians than die in the wilderness. The Lord told Moses to lift his rod and stretch his hand over the sea and divide it. So the children went into the midst of the sea on dry land. And the waters were a wall on their right hand and their left.

hopping up the attic steps, three at a time, so he didn't hear what his wife said.

As Uncle Wiggily had mentioned, there were many odd odds and ends in the attic of his hollow stump bungalow. Broken chairs leaned over against tables that had no legs. Boxes filled with cracked toys that the little rabbit children on longer cared for were piled up on an old sofa with a crooked back, and in one corner there was an old bed, sleeping well itself.

"But what made it move?" the rabbit gentleman asked himself. "None of my little boy or girl bunnies are up here playing tricks—I could see them. I wonder if fairies have gotten into my attic—invisible fairies who are turning that old spinning wheel? Hello there, fairies!" called the rabbit. "If you are twirling that spinning wheel I wish you would help me look for my fishing pole."

And then, to the surprise of Mr. Longears, a voice said:

"We aren't fairies, but we are making a merry go-round of this spinning wheel, and that's why it moves. And your fish pole is over in the northeast corner by the old sofa!" And the wheel spun around faster than before.

"If you aren't fairies, who are you?" asked Uncle Wiggily.

"June Bugs!" was the laughing answer, and then the bunny saw about a thousand June Bugs clinging to the edge of the wheel, twirling it by their weight. And as fast as the bugs on the bottom of the wheel fell off they climbed up to the top again and had another ride, and so they kept the wheel spinning.

"We're having lots of fun!" buzzed the June Bugs. "You see, we have been living in your attic, half asleep all winter. Now it is Spring and soon will be Summer when we can go out and fly about. But until June we must stay here. Do you mind if we play merry go-round on the old spinning wheel?"

"Not a bit!" laughed the bunny. "Have all the fun you want! But I couldn't imagine what was making it twirl around."

Then he took his fishing pole from the attic and went down, leaving the June Bugs to have their fun. "I hope they bring me good luck fishing," said Mr. Longears, and if the school boy doesn't run backward so all the children turn about and go home instead of coming to recite their lessons I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily going fishing.



57 After the boat was tied Jack suddenly missed Flop, the pet monkey.

"Where is Flop?" he asked Dotty. "I don't know," came the reply, "but he must be close by for he was on my shoulder just a few moments ago."

So they all started looking for the little pet. Several cannibals joined the hunt.



58 After a few moments Dotty heard Jack break into laughter a short distance away. "Here's the little lost fellow," shouted Jack, "right up beside the bonfire, and he's helping carry wood to keep the fire going."

And Dotty ran up and hugged Flop for taking such an interest in their new found island. (Continued.)

Puzzle Answer

P	A	R	P	O	T
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Here is the answer to the crossword puzzle published last week. The series is now complete and those who have been saving the puzzle patterns will have no trouble in finding to serve as material for many an indoor party. The puzzles may be used in conjunction with prizes or forfeits, and in this way provide excellent fun. A good plan is to set a time limit for your guests, allowing five minutes for the solution of the puzzle. The contestant with the puzzle nearest completion at the end of the five minutes would win, with the second and third prizes to those coming next in that order.

SYNTHETIC



WHAT LITTLE TOTS SAY TOLD BY PLAYMATES IN WEEKLY PRATTLE CONTEST

Many Bright Spots in Prattle Corner Postbag; Winner for Week Is Announced

Many bright stories were told in the mail received in the True Sayings Contest this week from entrants from Vancouver Points as far north as Ladysmith. The winning story this week is by Edith G. Adams, an eight-year-old reader of Oak Bay.

All contestants made sure this week to enclose their age, name and address; and there were very few who forgot to say that the incident told about was an actual happening, which truly occurred.

The contest will continue for the remainder of this month, with a weekly award of one dollar to go to the entry selected as the best in each week. Entries must be in by Tuesday in each week to be included in the judging for that period.

Entries will be received from girls and boys of sixteen years of age and under, and each entrant can submit as many stories as they have collected, provided that each is a true incident within their own knowledge.

Little tots in learning to talk and in exploring the great big world, from the standpoint of their round eyes and two now-too-steedy legs, get a wonderfully fresh view of many of our institutions and habits. This outlook is often expressed in words which would do credit to the keenest and brightest wits of the age, and such sayings are treasured in the family for many a day.

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The family were talking about school. Four-year-old Bobby wanted to know what may and what may not be done in the schoolroom.

"Will the teacher spank you if you say 'Gosh'?" he asked. "Yes, Bobby," answered his Daddy.

Bobby thought for a moment and then asked: "Will the teacher spank you if you just think 'Gosh'?"

HILL CLIMBING FOR HEALTH

Wilfred Cotton, a fifteen-year-old reader at 2565 Prior Street, tells the following story of her small cousin:

"Flossie's mother was ill, so Flossie asked her Granny what was wrong. Her Granny replied that her mother was 'run down.' Whereupon Flossie asked if the doctors were going to 'run her up again'."

WHAT HE THOUGHT OF HIM!

Another Bobby is the subject of another story, this time he is a two-year-old, who hears the playing of bagpipes for the first time:

"Daddy, pigs squealing?" was his comment. Later, however, he became accustomed to the pipes and amended his first opinion of them for something much better. This same little fellow one day was initiated into the mysterious of an electric torch. He took the torch and scampered away under a bed, where he flashed the light and cried out: "Mumsie can't find me!"

The above incidents are told of by Margaret E. Allen, a sixteen-year-old reader at Box 12, Lady-

LIGHT DIDN'T FAIL



ETHEL LANGTON

fifteen, marooned alone in St. Helen's lighthouse, Bridgeton, England, kept the light burning steadily for four nights justifying the faith of mariners at sea. Rough weather kept her parents ashore.

HIPP! HIPP! WHO WANTS A BABY HIPPO?



"Buster," the baby hippopotamus of the Washington zoo pictured here with his mother, is for sale—cheap. If you have a fondness for pets, here's the chance of a lifetime.

Little Doris had been for a walk with auntie. On her return she said to me: "We saw some birds, and auntie says they were wood pigeons, but I'm sure they were made of feathers."

Class 1—Not over eight years.

Class 2—Not over ten years.

Class 3—Not over fourteen years.

Here now is a chance to show your originality with brush or pencil in a good cause.



A Page of Interest to Women

Society and Home Interests and Activities



Handful of Institute Women Accomplish Wonderful Work

Eleven Women at Shawnigan Lake Effect Many Improvements for Community; School Children a Special Care, Reports Show.

An epic of patient, persevering effort on the part of a handful of women is concealed behind the prosaic reports presented at the annual meeting of the Shawnigan Lake Women's Institute recently. This little band of eleven women, several of whom are only in the district for part of the year, have lived up loyally to the institute motto, "For Home and Country," and their conscientious and effective work for the community in which they live proves again the value of this magnificent organization of the rural women of Canada.

During the year 1925 the institute in diverse ways, by means of teas and sales of cooking, card parties and other methods by which money can be raised in country districts, raised a total of \$426.

Out of this sum two donations, amounting to \$193.50, were given to the Queen Alexandra Solarium for Crippled Children, \$50 was donated to the Duncan Health Centre, and \$70 was allocated to local needs.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Among some of the many benefits accruing to the community through the interest of this body of public-spirited women, were the following: a piano was given to the public school; hot lunches were provided at both schools during the cold weather, an inestimable boon to children who had to journey many miles in some instances. A public bathing beach was cleared of logs and debris and kept in order during the Summer months, thus providing a boon to visitors and residents. The excellent public library, which was started by the institute, was further assisted in starting a juvenile branch, which has been much appreciated by the children.

During the year the institute had five lectures, addresses and one Shakespearian recital, to which the public were invited. They also held a card party and provided the supper for the Community Christmas Tree Entertainment.

HOPE FOR MORE MEMBERS

At the annual meeting, the reading of the reports was followed by a discussion on the future of the institute, and it was unanimously decided to continue in view of the excellent work accomplished in the past, and hoped that the membership may increase, especially as the number of residents is not decreasing.

The directors for 1926 are: Mrs.

WOMAN MADE HEAD OF \$1,000,000 FIRM

New York Gas Company Appoints Woman Who Began as Clerk

New York, April 17.—Little Miss Dillon is celebrating her appointment as the first woman president of one of America's big corporations.

Starting as an ordinary clerk twenty-three years ago, she has risen to be successively branch manager, general manager, and vice-president of the Brooklyn Borough Gas Company, of which she has just been made the official head.

She is to be assisted by two other women as secretary and treasurer of the company, which has a capital of \$1,000,000 and serves 40,000 customers.

When silk is being washed, a little salt added to the water helps to fix the color, and also keeps the material soft.

If you are mashing potatoes, be sure the milk used is hot. Cold or lukewarm milk will make the potatoes heavy and pasty.

Mrs. Eldred will be glad to answer all questions pertaining to babies and children. A stamped and self-addressed envelope forwarded to this office will bring a personal reply.

YOUR BABY and MINE by MYRTLE MEYER ELDRED



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COLDS

Just now everyone seems to be having colds. Handkerchiefs are of paramount interest, and sneezes and coughs are the universal password.

Colds arrive usually not only by the germ route, but because a person's skin is unable to react nimbly to changes of temperature. A person takes a hot bath and goes out into the cold air and his skin, relaxed by the warm water, does not contract and withstand the cold. The result is a chill, lowered resistance, and the cold germ gets its deadly work.

Children who are swathed in woolens until their bodies are almost always at the point of perspiration, catch cold every time they are taken out in the world. The mother pleads that she gives the child plenty of fresh air, good food and yet he always has a cold. She makes this an excuse, sometimes, to keep him in.

DICK GREETS HIS DAUGHTER



Richard Barthelmess, film actor, greets his three-year-old daughter, Mary. She'll spend the summer with her famous daddy in Hollywood.

MOTHERS OF 23 CHILDREN SHARE TOWN'S RECORD

One Woman Lost Three Sons in War; Had Three Pairs of Twins

By the birth of a daughter, her twenty-third child, Mrs. Emily Jane Lucas of Baltic Road, Tonbridge, England, has drawn level with another local mother having twenty-three children.

Mrs. Lucas's family previously consisted of six daughters and sixteen sons (three of whom were killed in France). In eight years she gave birth to three pairs of twins.

The family all live in a six-room cottage on the small earnings of the husband, who cycles twelve miles daily to his work.

The mother's chief difficulty lies in providing clothes and shoes for this small army of young folk; the cobbling is done by the husband, who also acts as family barber, while mother does most of the tailoring.

The children of Mrs. James Goldsmith, who previously alone held the town's record for the largest family, were all of single birth.

For several months past the births recorded at Tonbridge have been much in excess of the deaths.

Some Attractive Dishes From Dried, Smoked Fish

WHEN soaking any salt fish to freshen it place the skin side up so that the salt crystals may fall away from the under side of the meat. Salt codfish means to many people the often served codfish balls, yet the possibilities of utilizing it are almost legion.

TO SERVE WITH RICE
Soak it over night cut into large pieces, cook with onion and tomato and serve with boiled rice.

Or, cook a cup of macaroni in salted water, drain, then add a cup of **MAGGIE** dried codfish. Cook a diced onion and one chopped green pepper in a tablespoon of butter for a few minutes, then add a cup of canned tomatoes and a cup of water and cook until very hot, then add the fish and pour the mixture over the macaroni and serve.

FINNAN HADDIES
Finnan haddies may be broiled, baked, scalloped and creamed. A luncheon dish made with this fish is:

First make a cream sauce, using two tablespoons each of butter and flour and two cups of milk; when cooked until smooth add a half cup of shredded green pepper; let it boil up once and serve on toast.

Another vegetable which combines well with this fish is tomatoes. Cover a haddie with boiling water, and when it has stood ten minutes drain, skin and flake. Cook together one finely chopped onion and two level tablespoons of butter until brown, then add a cupful of the solid part of a can of tomatoes, season with pepper and salt, let come to a simmer, then add the fish and heat heat thoroughly.

HERRING DISHES
A good luncheon dish is made by partly boiling herring, skinning and adding an equal quantity of mashed potatoes, also a lump of butter and enough cream to soften; then form into balls, dip in eggs and bread crumbs and cook in deep, very hot fat.

Fried herring will have an added zest if a chopped onion is fried in the pan first and when it is brown, pepper and two tablespoons of vinegar are added. Boil this mixture and pour over the fish when served.

A sort of herring pickle is made "down East" by soaking six of the fish overnight, removing the backbone, cutting into inch pieces and adding three finely sliced onions; the whole is then covered with vinegar and allowed to stand all night before serving.

Scalloped herring is delicious. Soak the fish in equal parts of milk and water on the back of the stove for an hour and a half. There should be two cups when drained, rinsed in warm water and flaked. Cook a quarter of a cup of butter for five minutes with a finely chopped onion, then add a cup of each of milk and cream into which there has been blended a quartet of a cup of flour; season with one and a half teaspoons of salt and half a teaspoon of paprika. Add this mixture when it has thickened a few strips of red peppers and the fish. Cover the bottom of a dish with cooked macaroni, or potatoes cut into cubes, pour in the fish, set in the oven for five minutes, then sprinkle the whole well with grated cheese and put in the oven long enough to melt the cheese.

To bake smoked herring wipe the fish dry, wrap it in a clean piece of manila paper and put in into a quick oven for fifteen minutes, then serve with garnishes of sliced lemons and bits of parsley.

To make herring salad soak three Holland herrings—cut into small pieces—over night. Chop eight medium-sized cooked potatoes, with two small cooked beets, two onions, a few sour apples and three hard-boiled eggs; add the fish and mix with a French dressing.

APPOINTED TO NEW POSITION IN GIRL GUIDES



GRANDMOTHERS FORM CLUB IN LONDON SUBURB

Old Ladies Rebel Against Privileges Accorded to Old Men

London, April 17.—Walworth has witnessed a revolt of grandmothers. After having accepted uncomplainingly from time immemorial the doctrine of the "divine rights of grandmas," grandmothers have risen in defense of their sex.

OLD LADIES REBEL

It was the formation of the now famous "Grandfathers' Club" at Browning Hall, Walworth Road, that first injected the virus of rebellion into the old ladies' veins. Pampering and petting of grandfathers were all very well, but even grandmothers, who were being quietly ignored, had their rights!

Contemptuous sniffs led to indignant snorts, and low rumblings threatened a minor upheaval in Walworth's social fabric. The ladies, of course, won; and a "Grandmothers' Club" now rivals that of the Grandfathers.

"We didn't make so much noise as they do, but we enjoy ourselves! We talk over our young days and what we would do if we were young again. It's nice to talk about the days that are gone."

"We can't see to sew now—we all complain of our eyes. I believe the gas has done it; white light tries the eyes. When we had lamps and candles it was different."

HAD JOINT PARTY

"No, the two clubs don't meet together, but we did have one joint party. There were about 100 of us. We played games and danced, and I won the prize for musical chairs! Then we had songs, such as 'My Sweetheart When a Boy' and 'Boys of the Old Brigade,' and we all joined in the chorus."

Several of the members, including Mrs. Foster, are eligible for a great-grandmothers' club. Nearly all are old-aunts' pensioners. They meet once a week for two hours, and tea and cake are provided free. None of the grandmothers is "bobbed." They do not seem to approve of the fashion!

Mrs. Foster was very critical of the modern maiden.

"Clothes are all they think about," she declared. "You never seem them with a needle in their hands! When I was a girl I didn't have all these theatres and cinemas and the rest of it. And then those short skirts!"

Instead of polishing furniture with furniture cream, rub with a damp chamois leather and then with clean, soft dusters.

Fruit stains that do not yield to cold water are difficult to remove from silk without injuring the material. The safest remedy is warm water and borax.

Your kitchen table, you can be kept spotlessly white if you add a few drops of ammonia to the hot water used for scrubbing.

Rubbers will last longer if you put a thick layer of tissue paper into the heels. The paper forms a soft cushion for the hard heel of the shoe, and thus lessens the wear on the rubber.

Eventually she consented upon being assured that they would be cared for. Her condition was so serious, however, that she died from her injuries.

The door was forced, but for some time she refused to go to the infirmary, stating that she did not wish to be separated from her dogs.

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The gang were determined, however, to make a demonstration at the funeral, and about thirty proceeded to the cemetery in fourteen taxi-cabs. There was so much fear of violence that Scotland Yard officers were actually detailed to watch them.

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Lard will keep sweet for some time if it is removed from its wrapped paper and placed over a covered jar or basin.

Before sewing on hooks and eyes, boil them in strong soda water. This will prevent them rusting in the wash.

Career of Women Thieves Is Halted By Scotland Yard

"Forty Elephants" Gang Jailed for Thefts Totaling \$150,000; Terrorized West End of London

The gang of women thieves and shoplifters, known as "The Forty Elephants," who terrorized the West End of London for some time have been rounded up and their operations halted as the result of a drive against them by Scotland Yard.

Practically every large West End establishment has been raided at some time or other by the Elephants, and the police estimate that their hauls of coats, jewelry and lingerie have been to the value of more than \$150,000.

"Diamond Alice" and "Babyfaced Maggie," were the leaders of the gang, the members of which directed and commanded with remarkable courage and resource.

"CAMORRA" ENDED

The real names of the two women, whose band of forty has caused Scotland Yard more anxiety and more activity than any women in the country, are Alice Diamond, aged twenty-eight, and Maggie Hughes, aged twenty-seven.

When, following a vendetta in which they and some of their companions took part, a father and son being wounded, they were sent to jail at the Old Bailey, it was the end of the London "Camorra."

Alice Diamond is now doing eighteen months' hard labor, while Hughes has twenty-one months' similar imprisonment before her.

At the same trial other sentences were: Gertrude Miller, aged twenty-six, twenty-one months' hard labor; Bertha Taippender, aged twenty-eight, eighteen months' hard labor.

SYSTEMATIC THEFTS

So far as their exploits in the West End are concerned the Forty Elephants worked on systematic lines. In one shop-lifting affair they not only stole eight fur coats, but actually brought out of the shop, a large establishment on Oxford Street, 168 rolls of silk concealed in their clothing.

They all wore exactly the same type of skirt, a lined skirt with two bands round the waist, one band fitting very tight to the body, the other being a loose elastic.

The women always worked in threes, one of them talking to the assistants and making purchases. The others opened their fur coats, pulled wide the loose elastic band, and "shoveled" in the articles they wanted.

EXPENSIVELY GOWNED

Invariably they had taxicabs waiting away with their booty to their receivers, the property that they stole being seldom in their possession longer than an hour, save that which they altered and wore themselves.

Maggie Hughes was seen while she was on bail by some Scotland Yard officers. She was wearing a chinchilla coat, and her whole apparel it was estimated was worth anything up to \$2,500.

In Shaftesbury Avenue five of the gang, led by Hughes and Diamond, stole two complete trays of diamond rings from a jeweler's. Two of the women talked to the jeweler and made purchases, and while they were doing so Hughes and Diamond entered the shop, lifted the two trays out of the window, and drove away in a taxi.

LEADERS OF GANG

Diamond and Hughes are distinct in character and appearance. Alice Diamond is nearly six feet in height, while Maggie Hughes is very petite, very fair, and, despite her twenty-seven years, a considerable portion of which she has spent in prison, she does not look more than twenty-two.

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Leap Frog



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Apple, Aged Ten, Finds Life Complex —Especially Where Aunt Etta Concerned

living-room came the sound of voices. Apple craned an ear.

"Apple just must behave this time," he heard his mother say. "I don't know what's the matter. Every time Aunt Etta comes he seems possessed."

"He'll behave or I'll know the reason why," asserted Mr. Martin.

"You remember last time, Jim, when he spilled the ink on her, she threatened to leave."

"She's always threatening to leave or change her will, Amy," his father continued in a voice that was somewhat halting, "you mustn't think that I don't appreciate what your aunt does for us. I do—but I always wish I could make enough so it didn't matter. I'd like to give you everything in the world. I work as hard as I know how."

And Now Uncle George

HIS father's tone made Apple feel queer inside. Maybe it made his mother feel that way, too, for she answered quickly: "Oh, Jim, don't you see that's just it. I have all I want, but I can't bear to have you work so hard and come home all tired and worn. And there's Apple."

There was an instant of silence. So that was it! Aunt Etta was good to his mother and mysteriously had it in her power to keep his father from working so hard, and he had almost ruined everything. He never had meant to, but that didn't seem to make any difference. Apple's heart was like lead. Nevertheless, he listened when the conversation was resumed.

"It wouldn't be as bad if it wasn't for your Uncle George. Why in the world," almost wailed Mrs. Martin, "did they have to pick the same time to visit us?"

"I couldn't help it," said Mr. Martin defensively. "He had a row with my grandfather and left home before I was born—but, after all, I'm the only near relative he has left. I couldn't wire him not to come."

"Of course you couldn't. But you know Aunt Etta. And goodness knows what your Uncle George is like!"

"I'm sure I don't. I never saw him. He used to write father in a coon's age from the west somewhere. Looks as if he'd been forty years making enough to pay his fare back. We sure had trouble enough without adding some old chap who likely wears a cowboy hat and hair pants. He and your Aunt Etta will mix like alcohol and prohibition."

"That's just it, it's what I'm afraid of."

"Well," said Mr. Martin, "I suppose it's about time to start for the station."

Apple's spirits rose a little. Going first to the garage, he inspected some tin cans of varying sizes, scrupulously covered with shingles or irregularly shaped pieces of glass. The garter snakes appeared to be doing well, and so did the field-mouse. Apple spent some time over the can containing the angle-worms. It was half full, and when stirred to action the worms wriggled in fascinating and intricate designs. Then, emerging from the shed and half circling it, he came to the main exhibit.

This was a frog, a large and fine specimen of the breed. To Apple his value was increased by the elaborate preparations made for his health and comfort. A plot of ground, perhaps four feet square, had been fenced with wire screening and boards. This barrier rose to a height above a small boy's waist, for the remarkable leaping powers of frogs are known to the most uneducated.

"It seems as if I simply couldn't keep this noise picked up," complained Mrs. Martin.

Apple looked at her in honest amazement. Picked up indeed! Since the letter announcing Aunt Etta's visit, he felt that the picking up process had passed all limits. A fellow got into trouble if he laid anything down for a minute. Yes, Aunt Etta undoubtedly was responsible for this plucking up, although with the telegram stating that Uncle George also was on the way to visit them it was intensified.

There was an unknown menace. Apple had never seen his Uncle George. But when a swimmer is out over his head the actual depth of the water makes little difference. Uncle George couldn't add much to Aunt Etta. To be exact, he was a great-uncle, just as Aunt Etta was a great-aunt—relations were involved as fractions!

Apple forsook the couch. It seemed best to get into another atmosphere. Being careful not to hit any of the furniture on the way out, he went into the hall where he paused for a moment. Against the door lay a spool of heavy thread, which had evaded the recent search-party. Gathering it up with the intention of returning it to the basket, Apple decided against that course and added it to the collection in his pocket. Then he made his way to the porch and sat down on the steps. It was one of the first hot, still days of the season, and through the open windows of the all safety the party penetrated the



Apple, too, favored spaghetti, but it was hard to get on your fork contribution to the conversation.

interior and came to Apple's room.

These were not his regular quarters on the second floor, as those had been requisitioned for Uncle George, but a room on the floor above. The move had been too speedy to admit of the transfer of many valuable and interesting objects, but he had managed to salvage a collection of boxes. In one of the boxes Apple sequestered the frog. A second hazardous but successful expedition yielded a small lump of ice, which was placed in a soap-dish. With the peace of spirit of one who closes the door upon a good deed, Apple descended to the living-room. His timing was practically perfect. The visitors were arrived.

Inspired by her fault-finding vexation and the food—for Frieda could cook—Aunt Etta thawed, and when spaghetti appeared was positively embarrassed and feeling that all eyes must be focused on his efforts, he

wanted to relieve the situation by offering his first contribution to the conversation.

"You'd better not let Appleton play with that. He'll lose it."

"That's his lookout," replied Uncle George somewhat shortly. "It belongs to him."

What threatened to be an instant of uncomfortable silence was broken by the announcement of luncheon.

"Just exactly what I've been wishing for! I certainly do thank you," he said. Then, as he looked into Apple's glowing face, "But didn't you buy anything for yourself?"

"Not yet. Now I'll take Aunt Etta's present to her." Crumpling the paper hurriedly about the bottle he dashed into the house.

"I hope she appreciates it," said his father adding, as he noticed that his companion had produced a match, "you don't have to smoke that terrible cigar."

"Nothing for himself, eh? I'd smoke it if it killed me," declared Uncle George. Suddenly he threw back his head. "Citronella," and he shook with laughter.

It was infections. As they laughed together the younger man felt the real pull of kinship. "It's a peace offering," he chuckled, "for what he said at the table. But you know, he went on more seriously, "it was pretty bad. Aunt Etta will never eat spaghetti again."

"What of it?" enquired Uncle George. "There are other things she has seeking to get it to her mouth, dropped her fork, turned a gentle shade of green and made queer noises in her throat.

"Appleton! Leave the table," commanded Mr. Martin.

Apple spilt his old refuge on the front steps. Voices from the living room finally brought the information that luncheon was over, but something in their quality hinted that even now all was not well. No straining of ears was necessary, for the voices were raised—and they were those of Uncle George and Aunt Etta. Aunt Etta's voice was shrilled, but Uncle George's was louder. Now and then could be heard fragmentary remarks from the Martins. These, soothed in quality, were more or less like a lullaby sung in the midst of a barrage. Then came Aunt Etta's voice, razor edged. "I do not think, sir, I care to continue this discussion—Amy, I shall go to my room."

Constitution held Apple rigid. He knew that inflection. Not only was Aunt Etta very angry, but she was mad at Uncle George. If Aunt Etta left, Uncle George would be blamed.

It was even possible that Uncle George himself would be sent away. This mustn't be. Something must be done—quickly. But what? Panic gave way to relief. Perhaps he could speak to his mother.

Apple's father, who was a man of quick understanding, "Sure, I was a cowboy. The first job I had out yonder was punching cows."

Apple was relieved. In spite of his clothes Uncle George was a real westerner.

"Does your aunt visit you often?"

"Yes," replied Apple, speaking as he felt, "pretty often." Then, as if an explanation was required, he added in a burst of confidence: "She's good to my mother—and father has to work so hard."

"Leave the Table"

HIS appeared to be a little in-

voiced, but Uncle George asked no further questions. Instead he put his hand into his pocket and drew out something that glinted.

"As I understand it," he said,

"uncles are always supposed to bring their nephews presents, so we may as well start in right. See how much you can buy with this."

Apple didn't think it was hot, but there was an idea—perhaps that was the trouble. With the frog. Leaning over the pen, Apple removed the thong and the pencil. "Thank you," he stammered.

At this moment Mrs. Martin and

Aunt Etta and Mr. Martin entered to

the room. They were convulsed with laughter, but he did his best to stifle them in wrappings of his handkerchief and tucked the uneasy bundle inside his linen coat. Thus in

the dark he was safe until the party penetrat-

ed the room.

There was a mosquito in my room

just last night," explained Apple

anxiously, "but the men say if you rub

this on them it won't come near you. Of

course it was your money," he added

gratefully, "and I got mother's pencil

with her name on it." A hint of shy-

ness crept into his voice. "I got some presents for you and father, too."

From a pocket he produced cigars and extended them, one to each of his listeners. They were short, pudgy cigars, a little dusty looking and very black, but Uncle George reached for them enthusiastically.

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tribute, she could not have been more perfectly placed. As Apple skidded to a stop she leaned back raising her hands. Only eager friendliness was in his face as he thrust a paper covered object at her, yet she reacted as might a carinae confronted suddenly by the bearer of a bomb. Apple hastened to reassure her.

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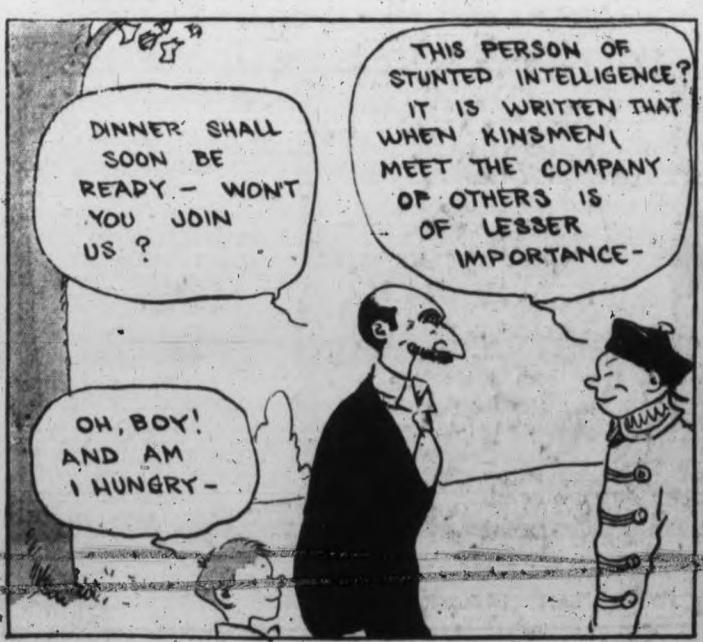
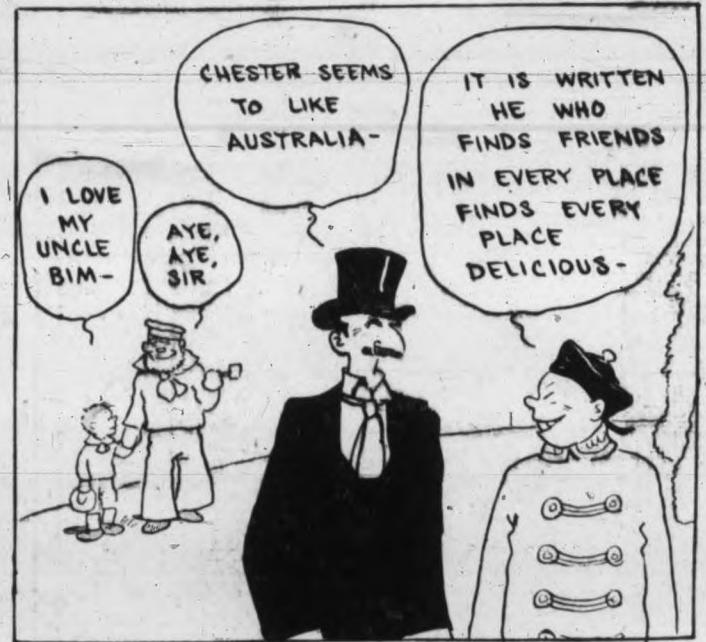
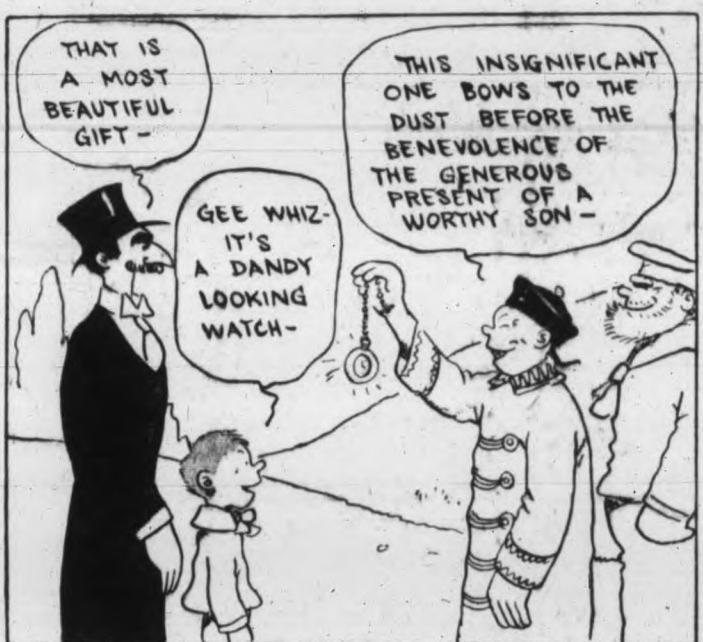
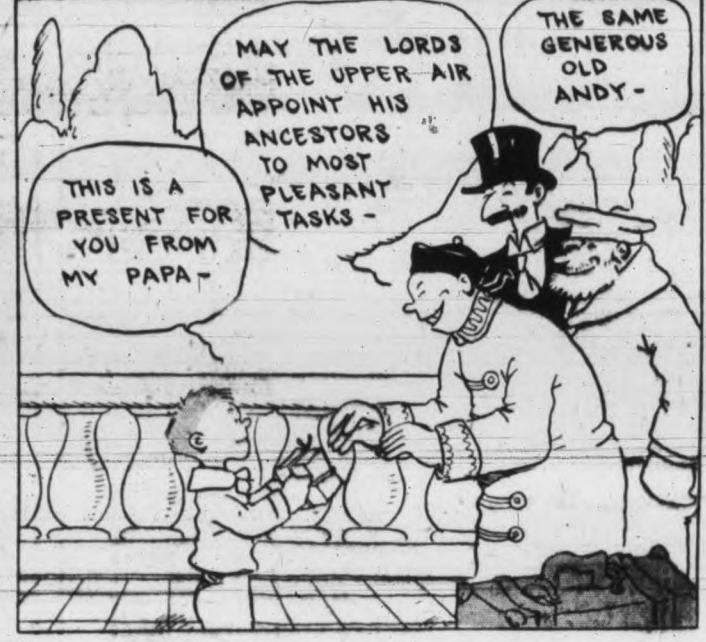
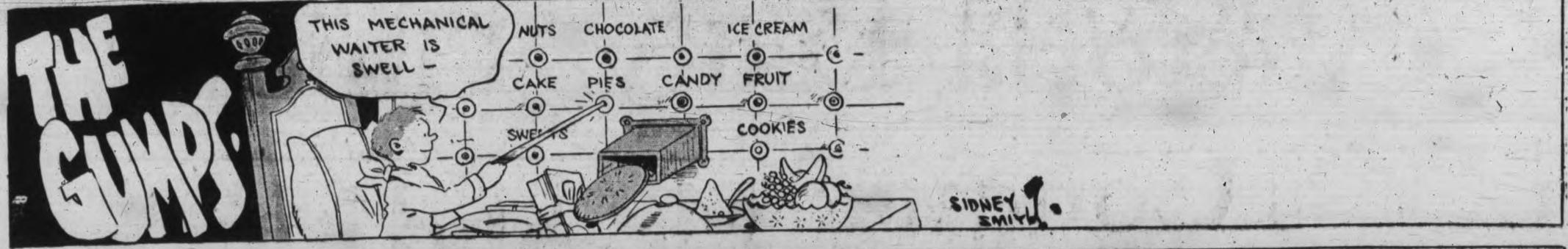
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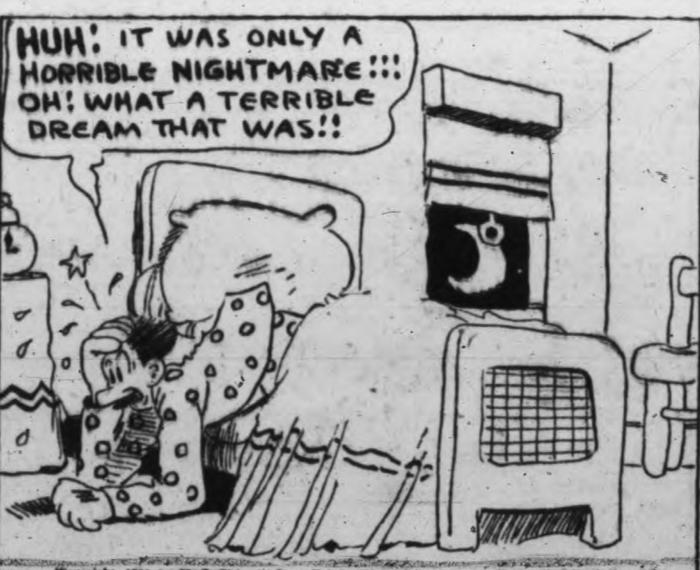
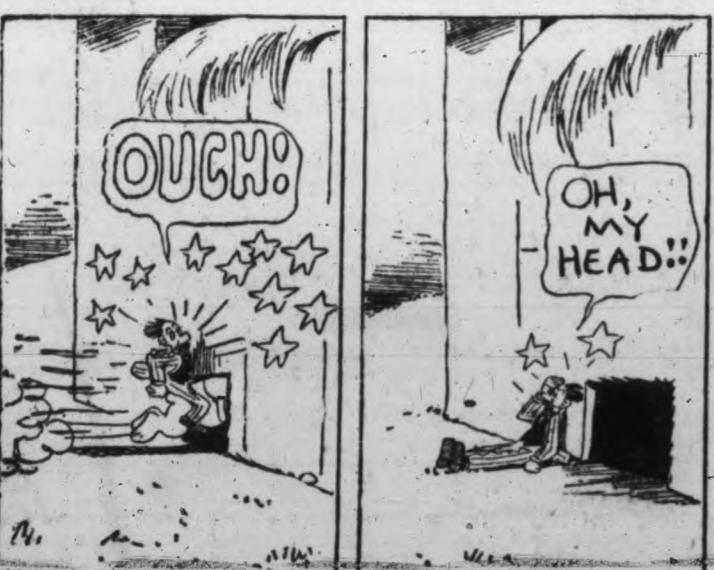
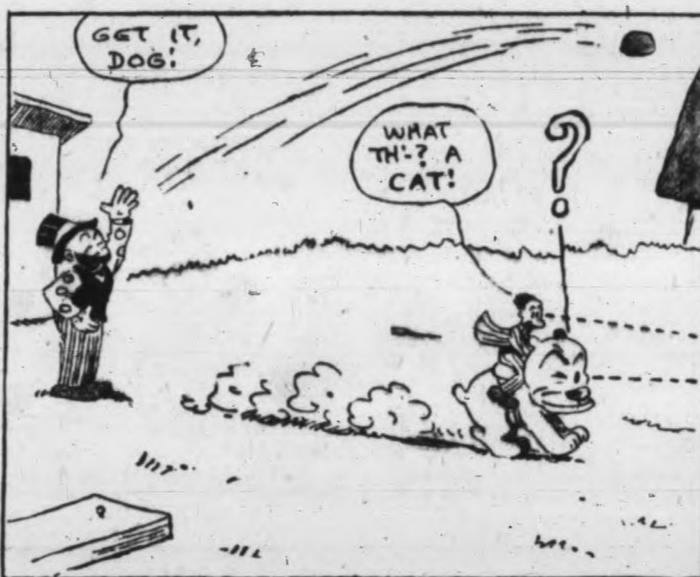
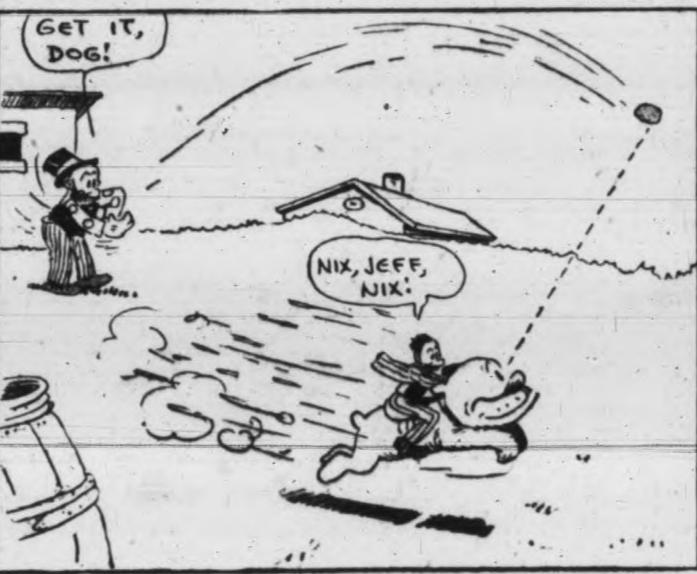
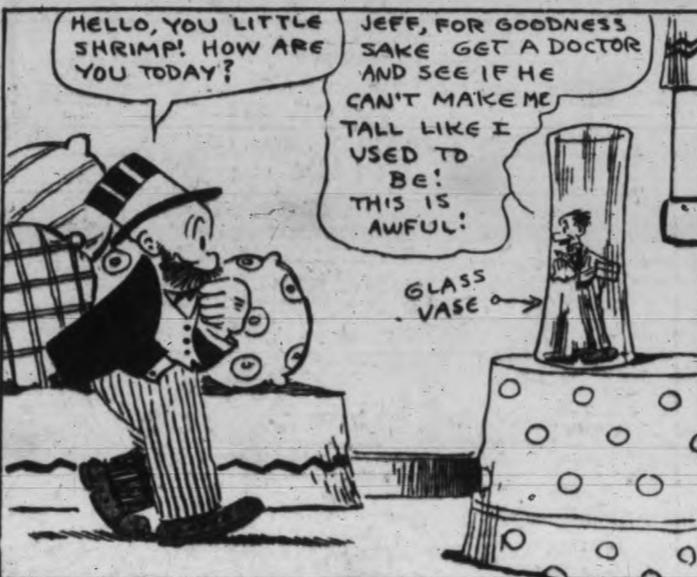


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